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So imagine the groans at one Northern Premier League club recently when the ball went out of the ground and was picked up by a smart-looking young man who popped it into the back of his brand-new Ford Capri and drove off into the setting sun.

HIT FOR SEVEN

When Newcastle reserve goalkeeper Kevin Carr fractured a finger, United coach Ian McPaul was forced to make a comeback in goal.

But the occasion was far from happy for the former Northern Ireland international star who has played 290 League games in goal for the St. James' Park club. He let in seven goals as Wolves reserves won 7-1 at Newcastle.

TRANSFERS DURING AUGUST

Bill Ashcroft	(Wrexham to Middlesbrough)
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Martyn Britten	(Bristol R. to Reading)
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Dave Thomas	(I.P.R. to Everton)
Steve Walford	(Spurs to Arsenal)
Don Howe	(Leeds United coach appointed Arsenal chief-coach)
John Collins	(ex-Watford appointed coach to Q.P.R.)
Ron Greenwood	(West Ham general-manager appointed as successor to Don Revie as England manager)
George Petchey	(resigned as manager of Orient)

LIVERPOOL'S £440,000 new star Kenny Dalglish will be able to appreciate the singing of The Kop... as a lad, Kenny won a certificate for his singing in a church choir.

'I'LL BE BACK'

promises JACKIE CHARLTON

JACK CHARLTON (below) missed the start of the season for the first time in 25 years — but he has no regrets.

"To be honest I've been enjoying my break from the game so much I haven't even thought about the jobs that have been offered.

"Don't get the wrong idea, I'll be back in some capacity sooner or later. I've been in the game too long to leave just like that.

"But it's been great not to have the worries of players' contracts, training, team-building etc.

"I've been able to go shooting and fishing. I went on tour with

our kid Bobby and my wife Pat and I had a magic holiday in the West Indies."

The one job Jack would have liked, of course, was that of England manager, vacated by his old boss at Leeds Don Revie.

"Sure I was disappointed not to get it, but I think Ron Greenwood is an excellent choice.

"He's an old friend, a very intelligent man and a keen student of the game."

Surprisingly, Jack Charlton believes Revie and Greenwood are not as far apart as most people believe.

"They share many of the same beliefs about the game and are both dedicated to football. Remember, too, if England beat Luxembourg and Italy, Revie will have resigned as manager of a team which lost only one World Cup game."

The forthright former Middlesbrough boss doesn't blame Revie for going to the United Arab Emirates.

"But I do blame him for the way he did it," he says.

Charlton believes England's most vital game is not the one at Wembley against Italy, but the one in Luxembourg on October 12th.

"I think we can beat the Italians, but we really need to score a lot of goals in Luxembourg to put the pressure on.

"Most people have come to the conclusion we're not going to qualify for Argentina anyway, so I don't really think the morale of the country will be affected if we don't get through."

What of English football in general?

"I don't believe we have missed our way as some people seem to think. We may have done at international level, but last season's First Division was a good one producing excellent quality football."

"I'm convinced our skills match any others in the world, but our players have to put up with too many matches."

"They're bound to get stale. It's as simple as that."



Cherries aid show-biz stars

IT'S a hard life being at the top — as two stars of Bournemouth's summer shows found out.

Comedian Stu Francis and Bill Wayne, half of the Dailey and Wayne team, were finding it tough going — until they took up training with Bournemouth Football Club.

Said Stu: "We really have to keep fit. After a session at the club's ground, we feel ready to go out on stage."

Both Stu and Bill appeared in the Peters & Lee show at the Winter Gardens Theatre.

Usually Stu trains with his home team

of Bolton Wanderers, while Bill has joined sessions with both Manchester United and Birmingham City.

"Since I began training last year I've lost two-and-a-half stone," said Bill.

"Just this year with Bournemouth, I've lost more than a stone. It's essential to keep fit in my knockabout style of humour on stage."

Every day, Stu and Bill joined stars of AFC Bournemouth at their Dean Court ground.

Said player/manager John Benson: "They both trained as hard as the rest of us. They did very well."

IT'S INTERESTING to read what our managers have to say to the foreign Press. Very often, they're more forthcoming... possibly because they think their quotes may not be seen at home!

Ronnie Allen, recently appointed manager of West Brom, had some surprising things to say to the Spanish Press when the Albion were in Alicante for a pre-season tournament.

Asked if he fancied a return to the land of the peseta, the ex-Athletic Bilbao boss said: "You're not kidding. And what's more I've already got my bags packed to go to any part of the world."

"I don't have a contract with Albion and don't want one with any English club."

"I want to stay as free as a bird so I can fly off to take advantage of any offer that comes along."

Interesting...

NOTTINGHAM FOREST'S Trent End fans are making a special effort to ensure their team's return to Division One is not marred by football hooliganism. The Trent Enders, whose behaviour in the past resulted in the erection of railings dividing the fans, have formed their own club to set a good example to other supporters.

Nightingale mystery

ONE OF THE MYSTERIES OF soccer last season was the sad loss of form of defender Mark Nightingale.

Hailed as one of the outstanding youngsters in the game less than two years ago, Mark was snapped up from Bournemouth by Crystal Palace in June last year. He cost £8,000 plus forward Peter Johnson.

But the former England youth international failed to make the sparks fly at the Palace.

Norwich and former Bournemouth boss John Bond has stepped in and signed the 20-year-old player. He will cost Norwich £2,500 if he plays ten senior games for them.

Soccer Scholarship

MEADOWBANK THISTLE'S teenage midfielder, John Young, is leaving for America to take up the first-ever football scholarship awarded to a Scottish player.

Young, who attracted the interest of Newcastle United last year and trained with them for a fortnight, will spend four years at Hartwick College in New York State.

With only a year at Meadowbank behind him, John described the chance as "one of a lifetime." While at Hardwick he hopes to gain an academic degree.

He is no stranger to the college. Two years ago he played in an international youth tournament there and was awarded the "Most Valuable Player" trophy.

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Togetherness

EVERTON starlets Mark Higgins and Mike Coffey already have something to celebrate together — they were both born on September 29, 1958.

Higgins, an England schoolboy and youth international, knows what his big ambitions are — to captain Everton to the League and Cup double. Coffey, meanwhile, wants to establish himself at League level and play for England.

Buxton-born Higgins, who made his League debut against Manchester City in October, 1976, when he was just turned 18, has already had one big Wembley moment — he was in the England team which beat West Germany 4-0 in a schoolboy international.

Liverpudian Coffey, who signed professional at Goodison Park in July last year, just two weeks before Higgins, has played for Liverpool schoolboys and also took part in England trials.

American Cure

DUNFERMLINE striker Ian Hall is thanking the research put into injuries sustained in American football for helping him to continue playing.

Two years ago, it was feared Ian's career was over after he damaged the cruciate ligaments in a knee — one of the worst injuries an athlete can suffer.

Ian, formerly of Celtic, Berwick and Hamilton, had two operations without success. So surgeons decided to try the American cure.

Because there are so many cruciate ligament injuries in American grid football, doctors have devised a special splint to help.

A special plaster cast was taken of Ian's knee and sent to the States. A made-to-measure splint was sent back to Scotland . . . and Ian found he could train again without fear of causing further damage to the joint.

Now Ian is almost back to full fitness and Dunfermline boss Harry Melrose says: "He is obviously not as sharp as he was, but the old touches are there and we are delighted he seems to be over the worst."

SNAPSHOTS

WHILE out of the game with injury, Aston Villa full-back John Gidman took the opportunity to photograph his team-mates in action from the terraces.

A keen snap-shooter is this England full-back.



ATHLONE TOWN (League of Ireland) started the season without a manager, when former Crystal Palace and Swindon full-back Tony Taylor resigned after a short pre-season stay. Domestic problems forced Tony to return to England.

"TWO GOAL" START

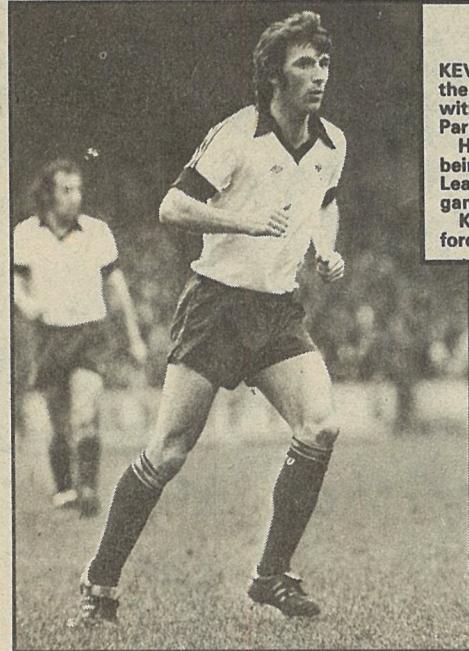
BRISTOL ROVERS full-back Phil Bater made the type of start to the season that defenders have nightmares about.

In the two-legged League Cup-tie with Walsall he was credited with an own-goal in each game as Rovers went out 3-1 on aggregate.

But having got those out of his system,

Phil reckons he will not only stop many goals during the rest of the season but score a few more in the current League programme than his single effort against Forest last term.

Certainly Phil's manager Don Megson is looking for more goals all round in the Rovers' "for" column.



Goal Ace Hector

KEVIN HECTOR (left) started this season as the Football League's leading goalscorer with 258 goals from his years with Bradford Park Avenue and Derby County.

He also holds another record — that of being the player who scored the most League goals in any one season, still in the game.

Kevin totalled 44 goals while with Bradford P.A. during the 1965-66 season.

HUDDERSFIELD TOWN are one club who definitely believe in the loan transfer system.

In the month before the start of the season they had four players out on loan to other clubs . . . striker Bobby Campbell to Sheffield United, keeper Dick Taylor to Wolves, midfielder Martin Fowler to Norwich and striker Bob Newton to York City.

TONY BURMAN, the 19-year-old Charlton forward or midfielder, is hoping this season will prove as happy and dramatic for him as last term.

The Stockwell-born youngster made his League debut at Millwall on Boxing Day and scored the Charlton goal in a hard-earned 1-1 draw.

"That was a tremendous moment for me," says Burman.

Now the former South London, London and Surrey schoolboy player is looking for the opportunities to build on that initial success.



Long throw coming back

YOUNGSTERS John Sparrow (above) of Chelsea and Crystal Palace's Ken Sansom are two of the players leading the resurgence of the long throw as an attacking gambit.

The long throw-in, once so popular, was out of favour for a few seasons — but is now making a comeback.

"We have scored a few goals through using the long throw and we always include it in tactical work now," says Sansom.

Confident Scots

You have got to admire the confidence of the Scottish football fans. Although Wales and Czechoslovakia still have to be beaten, 42 Scots have already booked to fly to Argentina to cheer Scotland on in the World Cup Finals next year.

Some have booked a two-week stay at a cost of £933 each . . . while others, more confident that Scotland will go all the way to the Final itself, plan a four-week stay at a cost of £1,195 a head.

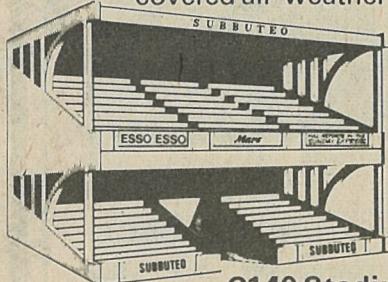


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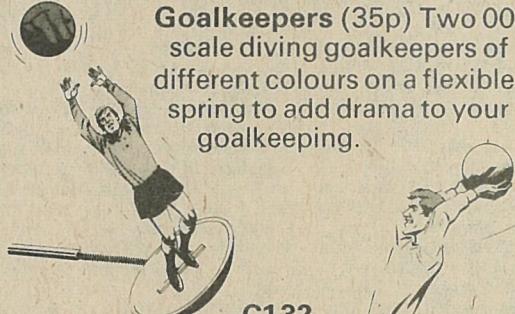
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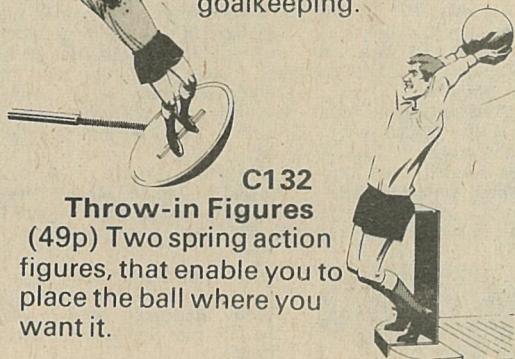
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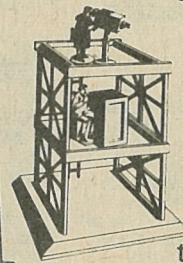
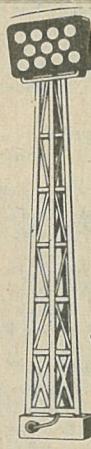


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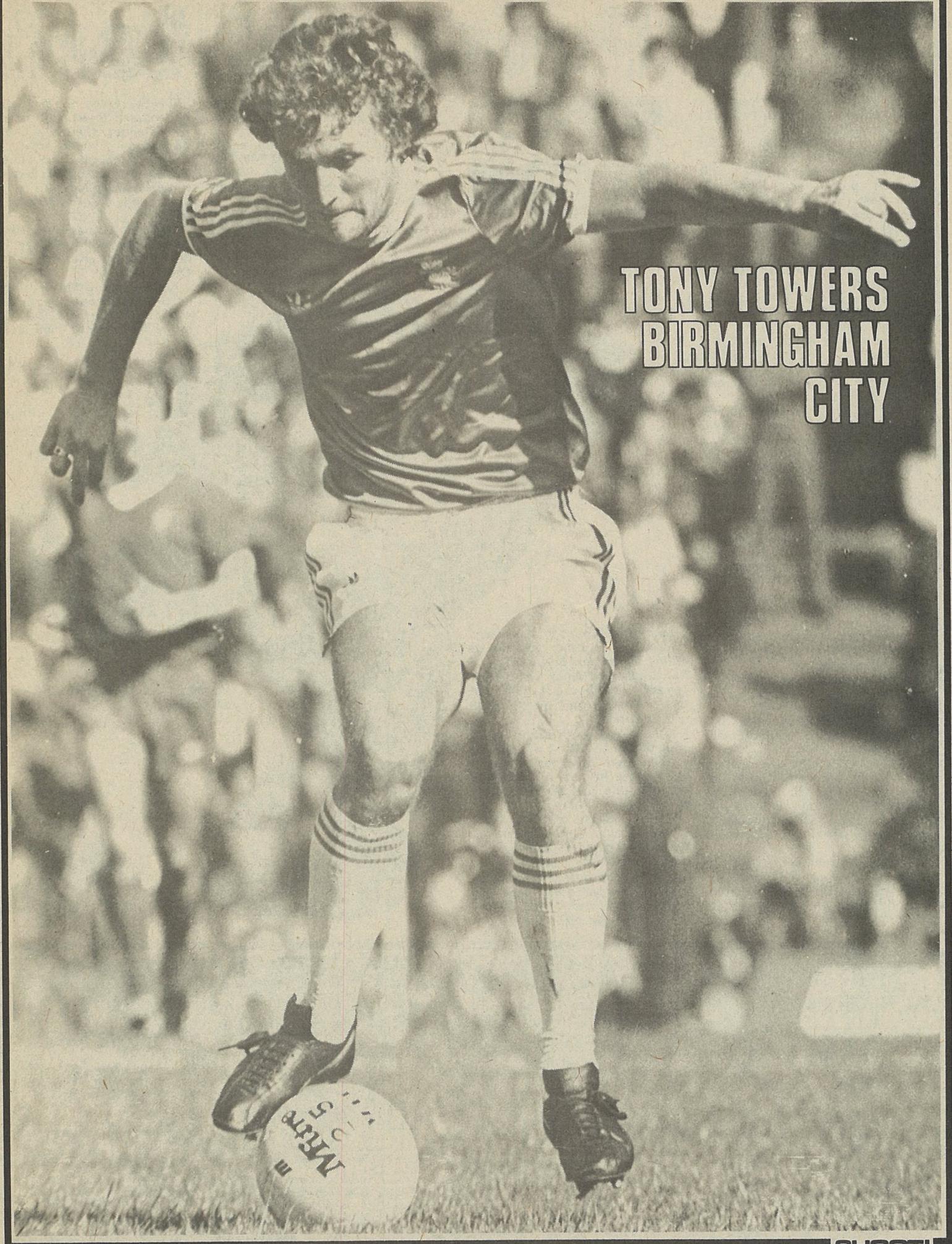
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TONY TOWERS
BIRMINGHAM
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THIS country is rich . . . in goal-keeping talent. I doubt whether any other soccer nation in the world can beat us for the number of top-class 'keepers we have in the Football League.

For some time now, Liverpool's Ray Clemence has been England's first choice. But with all due respect to Clem I think Peter Shilton is the best around at the moment.

Ray is a tremendous goalie, with fantastic powers of concentration and agility, but he has one slight weakness — on the ground. That's where Nottingham Forest's new 'keeper scores.

Shilton is an all-purpose 'keeper. He's good at all aspects of his trade, particularly on the deck.

Like Ray, he is in total command of his area and very rarely caught out of position.

Peter spends hours and hours training, correcting any mistake he might have made in a previous game. He is a perfectionist and totally dedicated.

Goalkeepers are a special breed of footballer. They seem to have formed a sort of club. There is a bond between them. Rarely will one 'keeper criticise another.

It amazes me how willing first team goalkeepers are to help improve the ability of youngsters at their clubs . . . fully aware they are probably grooming their successors.

The 'keeper whom Peter learned a great deal from at Leicester is the legendary Gordon Banks . . . perhaps the finest I've seen. Shilton in turn played a part in the development of Mark Wallington, who took his place at Filbert Street when he left for Stoke City.

Shilton has one "major" fault — he's hopeless at five-a-sides during England training sessions.

He hardly ever goes in goal, but plays anywhere the "unlucky" team will have him.

If I were choosing a fives team he'd be the last man I'd pick. But then Brian Clough didn't pay £270,000 for his ability in five-a-side matches. And I have known him to score a few goals . . . usually in his own net.

I've a tremendous respect for both Ray Clemence and Shilton, for their ability on the field and character off it. They are a credit to their clubs and country.

my soccer scene
GORDON HILL

up at Newcastle. He was sensational in helping The Lions roar to a shock 2-0 victory.

Signed from non-League Minehead for around £6,000, this exciting 6ft 3ins, 20-year-old is still a part-timer, combining his engineering studies with football.

According to Bryan King, Nicky could develop into one of the best goalies in the game.

If Nicky reaches the standards set by another ex-Millwall favourite, Alex Stepney, then he's definitely destined for a super career.

What more can I say about my United team-mate? The fact critics stopped writing him off a couple of years ago is proof of his evergreen ability.

When Big Al does eventually hang up his gloves, I dare say Paddy Roche will be given his chance at Old T.

An Eire international, Paddy is a much better 'keeper than he's given credit for. All he needs is a long run in the first team to build up confi-



Peter Shilton . . . "England's best," says Gordon.

Apart from those two, I've played in front of six other goalkeepers during my career. Bryan King and Ray Goddard at Millwall, Alex Stepney and Paddy Roche at United and Jimmy Rimmer and Joe Corrigan with England.

Kingy was a particular friend of mine at The Den and I was choked for him when injury forced him to quit playing just when he seemed set for a fine First Division career with Coventry City.

I saw Kingy recently, after United's League Cup-tie at Arsenal. We had a couple of drinks and a long chat after the match.

One of the most inspired goal-keeping displays so far this season came the night after United's defeat at Arsenal, by Millwall's Nicky Johns

Have team, will travel

My dad tells me Q.P.R. have had twelve different grounds. Is he pulling my leg?

COLIN KIRBY,
IPSWICH.

• No, Colin, he isn't. A round dozen it's been, although ten of those were in the days before they became a Football League club in 1920.

In fact — if you include three separate spells at their present ground, and two at nearby White City Stadium — that makes a total of 15 moves all told.

Maybe they could have called themselves Queens Park WANDERERS instead!

City by a yard

Which Football League club has the largest pitch?

TONY LAM,
HUNTINGDON.

• Manchester City claim that distinction — 119 yards by 79 yards — and they're closely followed by Doncaster's 118 yards by 79, Tony.

Smallest, incidentally, is that of Halifax (110 by 70). Northampton have the longest at 120 yards; and Orient the widest at 80 yards.

Not so Welsh

Can you please settle an argument as to whether the Welsh Cup Final has ever

been contested by two ENGLISH clubs?

DAVID LANCHBURY,
COVENTRY

• Before the War, David, it happened three years running!

In the 1933-34 season, Bristol City beat Tranmere 3-0 in a replay after a 1-1 draw; in 1934-35, Tranmere beat Chester 1-0; and, in 1935-36, Crewe beat Chester 2-0.

Third Division near-misses

How many Third Division clubs have reached the F.A. Cup Semi-Finals?

PAT GALLERY,
EIRE.

• Crystal Palace, in 1976, became the fifth, Pat.

Their predecessors had been Millwall (1937), Port Vale (1954), York (1955), and Norwich (1959).

They've had better fortune in the Football League Cup — both Q.P.R. (1967) and Swindon (1969) actually winning at Wembley as Third Divisioners.

Pink England

Is it true an international team once played in pink shirts?

CLIVE MELLOR,
BELFAST.

• I must admit I've never been able to check it out for sure, Clive — but I've an idea an England team did about 100-odd years ago.

One MAJOR fault?



dence. He's got the skills.

United's emergency 'keeper is our England defender Brian Greenhoff. He loves diving around in practice matches, getting himself covered in mud. He imagines he's saving penalties in an F.A. Cup Final. A real death-or-glory boy between the sticks is Brian.

I know I'm not tall enough to be a goalkeeper, but I wouldn't be afraid to have a go if called upon ... in a *real* emergency.

I have worn the green jersey in training and saved a few. Mind you, I've also DODGED a few, especially Stuart Pearson specials.

If I was a manager and on the look out for a young goalkeeper with potential I'd pay particular attention to handling, bravery and authority.

If a youngster came out for crosses and corners looking positive and confident I'd reckon he had something. If he were hesitant and punched, rather than caught, the ball I'd scrub him off my list.

I'd also expect him to shout instructions to his defenders. Quiet 'keepers, or those with no command in the box are losers.

You don't have to be daft to be a goalkeeper, but you must have courage especially in one against one situations, when a striker is bearing down on you with the ball at his feet.

Good 'keepers will instinctively dive into action, at a forward's feet to smother the ball. They will come out at the right moment. Those who hesitate are very often left to pick the ball out of the back of the net.

It also amazes me how many 'keepers, even some with First Division clubs, who are prone to stray off their line during games. It's probably due to lack of concentration.

Throwing is also vital. A well-aimed throw out from a 'keeper can start an attack and lead to a goal. Alex Stepney is good at this.

This Saturday, United will face another fine 'keeper, Leeds United's David Stewart, who won his first full Scotland cap against East Germany on September 7th.

Elland Road is something of a happy hunting ground for us. I believe our last League defeat at Leeds was six years ago when we

lost 5-1.

Last season goals by Gerry Daly (now Derby, of course) and Steve Coppell gave us a 2-0 win.

Although Leeds are not as formidable as they were in 1971-72 — when they ended as runners-up in the League and F.A. Cup winners — they are still a real threat and could well be among the trophies this season.

I understand that Ray Hankin, Arthur Graham and Tony Currie are all buzzing and looking worth every penny manager Jimmy Armfield spent on them.

United will give them a run for their money this weekend and should at least share the spoils.

Another tough game for us next Wednesday (Sept. 28th) when we entertain St-Etienne for the second-leg of our Cup-Winners' Cup-tie.

United drew the first match and should get the goals to take us through to the next round. But rest assured we won't make the mistake of underestimating the power of these Frenchmen.

Up The Reds!

See you next week ...

Nicky Johns ... an inspired performance for Millwall against Newcastle.



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Much travelled Ted

Which League clubs did Ted MacDougall play for before he joined Southampton?

JOHN FORSTER,
NORTHUMBERLAND

He began his professional career with Liverpool in 1967, John — but, without getting a League game, was released to York, who transferred him to Bournemouth in June, 1969.

Next move was to Manchester United in September, 1972 — then quickly on to West Ham in February, 1973, and to Norwich in December, 1973. There MacDougall stayed until his switch to Southampton in September, 1976.

Scored at both ends

Has a player ever scored for both sides in a Wembley Final, please?

MARTYN WILLIAMS,
ROTHERHAM

• Certainly has, Martyn — and within the space of less than a minute, at that!

The villain-turned-hero was Charlton's Bert Turner who, in the 1946 F.A. Cup Final, first put the ball into his own net — and then promptly made amends with a terrific 25-yard free-kick at the other end.

And 1-1 it still was after 90 minutes — but, alas for poor Bert, Derby romped home 4-1 in extra-time.

SHORT PASSES

• Chelsea's Peter Bonetti won seven full England caps, and played in 12 Under-23 games.

(MICHAEL POWER, Eire)

• Liverpool have played in six F.A. Cup Finals, but only won twice (1965 and 1974).

(ISEAK BIN IBRAHIM, Malaysia)

• Scunthorpe's best finishing-position in the League was 4th in the Second Division in 1961-62.

(STEVEN JACKLIN, Scunthorpe)

Unlike the front-runners, central-defenders rarely get the glory, yet are a vital part of any team. Here we present their views on ...

LOVE AT



'Defenders don't resent the goalscorers'

John Wile — West Bromwich Albion

If anything was needed to convince me goalscorers receive more publicity than centre-halves, I had all the proof necessary in a match against Coventry last season.

West Bromwich were losing 1-0 and I had had a very ordinary game. Then shortly before the end I moved upfield and snatched a goal that gave us a share of the points — and gave me a place in the headlines.

My name was blazed across the head of a column in a newspaper the following day because I was a goalscorer — without that goal I doubt whether I would have received a mention.

And to me, and probably most defenders, there is the feeling centre-forwards or strikers sometimes get more than their share of publicity because they score goals. But I simply accept it as one of the

facts of life. Here at West Bromwich, if one of the players gets his name in the scoring charts nobody in the defence resents it — and the player himself keeps level-headed about it.

Mainly, it is only when a centre-forward begins to believe the headlines about himself that a centre-half may become irritated. But we also realise when someone without a lot of football knowledge is writing up a match he is likely to make more publicity out of a goal than an expert — the man who really understands the game will also mention the performances of midfield players and back-four men.

Yet it must be remembered forwards are meant to score goals — it is their job. And for a player such as Ipswich's Paul Mariner, who does his job so well, I have nothing but admiration.

'You have to be quicker than people realise'

Mike Doyle — Manchester City

As a defender, I probably enjoy being a sweeper more than anything, although I play where selected. Playing behind the back-four, you have to be quicker than people think in order to cover the men in front.

About goalscorers, they are expected to find the net — and they get credit for doing it because that's what football is all about. As long as they are scoring goals, the rest of the team is happy.

As for being a striker or centre-forward myself, I've never had any inclinations in that respect. Of course, good goalscorers are at a premium because football in general has improved and it's harder to score these days — but I don't

rate modern defences as so much better than those in earlier years. I can remember wingers who were pulled back to defend in old-time teams, and sides who had as many men as possible behind the ball when under pressure.

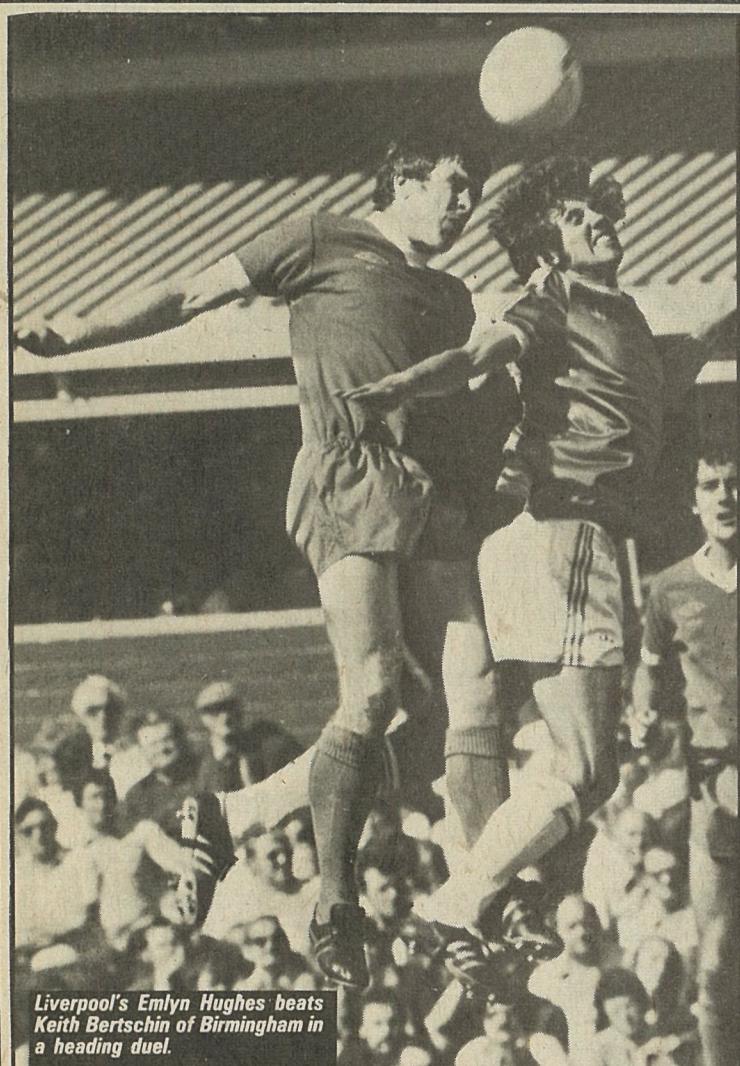
Among the qualities required by a sweeper is that of anticipation — it helps him in his role as the last man in defence in front of the goalkeeper. And it is often the sweeper who has the first touch of the ball in starting an attack.

For my training, I don't go in for any specialised, or extra bursts of sprinting. I do the normal training routine as the rest and feel I'm nippy enough to do my work in defence — I keep fit.

Mike Doyle (right) joins in a Manchester City attack during the first League game of the season v. Leicester.



THE BACK



Liverpool's Emlyn Hughes beats Keith Bertschin of Birmingham in a heading duel.

'I prefer being a sweeper'

Emlyn Hughes — Liverpool

LIKE scoring goals, but playing up-front is not for me — I prefer it at the back, as a sweeper rather than marking a specific player.

And frankly, I believe if both centre-halves in a team are in form, then the opposition won't score — unless somebody comes up with an out-of-the-blue effort from 30 yards. So being a forward can be a thankless business.

In fact, even with Liverpool, scoring goals is not easy — our first concern is to see the opposing team fails to find the net against us. And picking up an away point is much more difficult than it used to be, for any side.

Which all adds up to one thing — I have no envy for strikers or the praise they get when they manage to score. Modern defences are

hard to pass, and I reckon goal-scorers are worth the headlines they receive.

In my position we don't have as much written about us, perhaps, as a leading scorer, but we do a job which is important. But the point is a sports reporter would much rather write about a goal being scored than comment on defensive play. And the average football fan himself prefers to read about goals in the newspaper report, and the men who score them.

As for special training for a particular position, there is none at Liverpool. Players are all expected to be able to attack and defend, press upfield when needed, and be back in their own half if necessary. Everybody has to do a little bit of everything.

'Can't afford to make mistakes'

Jeff Blockley — Leicester City

MY favourite role is marking an opposing forward, and for it you rely on mental alertness, always trying to keep something in hand over the man you are watching.

And a defender knows he has to play hard for the 90 minutes, often without recognition. But this is accepted as part of the game. Just as a back-four player is aware that a goalscorer grabs the limelight with a goal — but the same striker has to battle hard against massed defences.

What a centre-half must strive for all the time is consistency, because he can't afford to make mistakes. And to help to equip him for his job, he often has special training sessions. At our club we practise defensive headers and volleys, play defenders against

attackers, and set up one against one situations.

All this is part of modern defensive football, which is much better organised than it used to be, with the professionals trained to a higher level of fitness. And it's something I've been accustomed to during my entire career, when I've always been a centre-half, apart from an emergency debut as a centre-forward in a youth game.

Admittedly, I like to score goals, mostly from corner kicks and dead-ball situations. But I have no envy for the man who makes his living through scoring, and I feel a player such as Malcolm Macdonald does a tremendous job in getting his regular quota of goals each season.

For my part, I'm quite content if I am efficient at stopping goals being scored.

Jeff Blockley gets the better of Q.P.R.'s Dave Webb.



THE 22-year-old who thought he was on the soccer scrapheap when Third Division Oxford gave him a free transfer just over a year ago, was delighted to start the season as first team Norwich striker.

But he's honest enough to admit he probably wouldn't have got such an early chance if Phil Boyer hadn't moved on to Southampton to join his old pal Ted MacDougall.

Says Gibbins: "Of course, Ted was here last season as well and I was understudy to the pair of them.

"I'm sorry they've gone in a way because they were two good players but it's made my life a lot easier.

"Could you imagine the competition for first team places if those two were still at Carrow Road? It's bad enough with myself, Viv Busby and Kevin Reeves fighting over the striking roles."

Although he didn't model himself on either player, Gibbins learned a lot from playing alongside MacDougall and Boyer.

"Ted wasn't here that long but you couldn't get a better example of someone finishing in the box. He did all his work there really — he didn't do a lot outside it — and he was so sharp.

"Phil was a non-stop runner. A better all-round player than Ted but they worked so well together. That's the secret. These days you find strikers work in pairs, just as in cricket you get fast bowlers working together."

Gibbins, who was also rejected by Spurs after serving an appren-

KEEP MOVING IN 'THE BOX'

— that's the lesson learned by Norwich City's promising young striker, ROGER GIBBINS



ticeship, reckons he has learned a tremendous amount in his year at Norwich.

As a striker, he couldn't help but benefit from an atmosphere dedicated to attacking, entertaining football under manager John Bond.

"I've learned a great deal about the game. And the training is so geared towards front-runners, I've found myself benefitting perhaps more than players in other positions.

"If there's one lesson in particular I've learned here it's about movement in the box. The manager is always on about that, telling me it's no use standing around and hoping. You've got to keep moving if you want to get the chances."

Although Bond was confident enough in Gibbins' ability to give him a First Division spot at the start of the season, the youngster still feels he's on trial to a certain extent.

"I feel I've got to play well in every game if I want to stay in the team. My ambition this season is to establish myself as a regular.

"As I say, Kevin, Viv and myself are competing for two places but it

sorted itself out early on because Kevin has been playing in midfield due to injury problems."

Norwich, of course, have always been a side who promise a lot — but can't seem to launch a sustained effort on the title.

This year, Gibbins hopes they can put a stop to that by making a determined bid for one of the major trophies. Injuries to key players didn't help their cause last season and they started this term without two or three of their big name stars, too.

Strong squad'

"If we get them fit pretty quickly, we'll have a very strong squad to pick from.

"Billy Steele, Mick McGuire and Graham Paddon are still out, but if we can get the results while they're missing, think how well placed we'll be when they're fit again."

Paddon, the man Norwich bought back from West Ham, had no chance to prove himself before breaking a leg.

"They reckoned Graham would be out for a year after breaking a leg around Christmas, but he's making great progress. He could be in the first team sometime in October."

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SCUNTHORPE 'WIN'

In April, 1974, Exeter City were fined £5,000 for failing to fulfil a fixture at Scunthorpe on April 2nd. Exeter City had appealed to the League to have the game postponed because they had nine men ill with 'flu'. The club was also ordered to pay over £1,000 compensation to Scunthorpe and the Lincolnshire club were also awarded two points.

**MAN. UTD.
IN TROUBLE**

Manchester United were fined £7,000 by a joint F.A. and League commission in July, 1969, when they were found guilty of making unauthorised payments and bonuses to their players. The irregularities were discovered by League accountants making a spot check on the club's books.

**EASTER PROBLEM
FOR LEEDS**

Towards the end of season 1969-70 when Leeds United were hot on the trail of the triple crown — League, Cup and European Cup — they were fined £5,000 for failing to field a full-strength team in a Football League match against Derby County. During the extreme pressure over Easter the club had fielded a reserve team in this Monday game.

EXPELLED

Port Vale was fined £4,000 and expelled from the League in 1968 for alleged breaches of regulations, but the club was re-elected the following season. They had earlier been fined £2,000 by the F.A.

**SUNDERLAND
STUNNED**

Sunderland were really pleased with their 4-0 win at West Bromwich in September, 1890, and highly delighted with their new goalkeeper, Scottish international Ted Doig from Arbroath. But they weren't so happy when the Football League stepped in and fined them £50 and deducted two points for playing Doig before the player had completed the 14-day qualifying period required by their rules at that

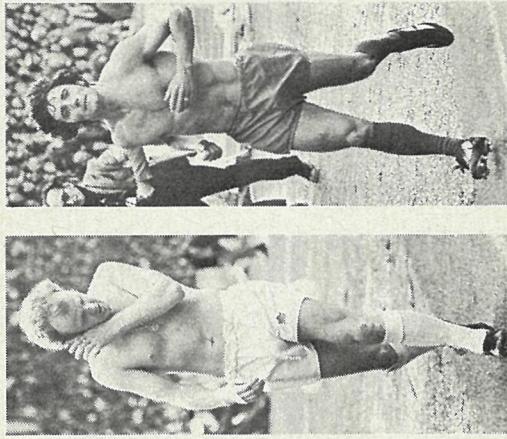
time. Losing two points was bad enough in itself and while £50 doesn't sound like much today in 1890 it was enough money to kit out four football teams, including boots and shin-guards. Still, Ted Doig proved to be worth this aggravation and played for the club for 14 years.

**UNSPORTING
SPANISH**

Following their unsportsmanlike behaviour in the European Cup Semi-Final between Celtic and Atletico Madrid in 1974 the Spanish club was fined £14,000 by U.E.F.A. and three of their players banned from the Final tie. The three had been sent-off in a 0-0 draw at Parkhead when nine players had been booked. Atletico were beaten 4-0 by Bayern Munich in the replayed Final after their 2-0 win over Celtic in the second-leg of this infamous Semi-Final.

**BILLY AND KEVIN
IN DISGRACE**

Billy Bremner and Kevin Keegan were each fined £500 and suspended for a month for "bringing the game into disrepute" by their behaviour when sent-off in the Charity Shield match at Wembley in August, 1974. As they walked off they threw off their shirts in what was taken by many people to be a gesture of disgust at the referee's decision.



KEEGAN

BREMNER

F.A. Cup they were playing with such confidence it seemed on the cards they would win this trophy as well as promotion. But in the Cup Aston Villa beat them with a solitary fluke goal. In the League, however, Spurs' bag of 70 points was a new record not to be beaten for 26 years. Bertie Bliss with 31 goals in 42 appearances was one of the heroes of this Spurs side.

**SAVED THREE
PENALTIES**

In a Second Division game at Burnley, February 13th, 1909, Grimsby Town goalkeeper, Walter Abbott, created a stir by saving three out of four penalties. He stopped two from Dick Smith and one out of two taken by Walter Abbott. Burnley won 2-0, Abbott getting the other goal from a free-kick.



WILLIE MADDREN

**CHARLTON'S
RUNAWAYS**

The manner in which Middlesbrough carried off the Second Division Championship in 1973-74 was truly sensational insofar as there had never previously been such a runaway victory in any Division of the Football League. This was the season in which Jackie Charlton's boys finished no less than 15 points ahead of nearest rivals Luton Town, thanks largely to some stern defensive-style football which did not please everybody, least of all their frustrated opponents who generally found it difficult to score against them. In this runaway campaign Middlesbrough enjoyed one run of 24 games without defeat, while in 15 of their homes games the visitors failed to score. The Middlesbrough defence — John Craggs, Frank Spraggan, Stuart Boam and Willie Maddren was consistency itself, and once Middlesbrough got on top of the table there was no catching them.

**FINISHED TOP —
NOT PROMOTED**

Despite finishing top of the Second Division in 1892-93, Small Heath (now Birmingham City) were not promoted to the First Division, while the teams who finished in second and third positions — Sheffield United and Darwen — both went up. Those were the days of end of season Test matches to decide the promotion and relegation stakes between the bottom clubs of the First Division and the top clubs of the Second Division. Small Heath lost their game with the First Division's bottom club, Newton Heath (now Manchester United) 5-2 after a 1-1 draw. That was the only time in League history that the top team of the Second Division didn't gain promotion.

SPURS STUNNED

When football resumed after World War One, Tottenham Hotspur, who had finished bottom of the First Division in the last pre-War campaign, fully expected to remain in the top Division because it was extended by two clubs. But Arsenal were elected to the First Division in their place and this rankled not only because the two clubs were then bitter rivals because The Gunners had only finished sixth in Division Two. So the Spurs set out in 1919-20 with the Second Division Championship. They played 12 games before suffering their first defeat and were never out of the top position. No one could beat them at White Hart Lane and when they reached the last eight in the

SHOCK BAN ON NEW SIGNING



RACHID HARKOUK
(Crystal Palace)

CRYSTAL PALACE striker

Rachid Harkouk had

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to his career as

a professional

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for three months

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wering back to referees.

Thanks to the efforts of Palace

boss Terry Venables, the ban was

reduced to two months.

Harkouk says: "I learned a les-

son the hard way. It's different as

a professional and football is my

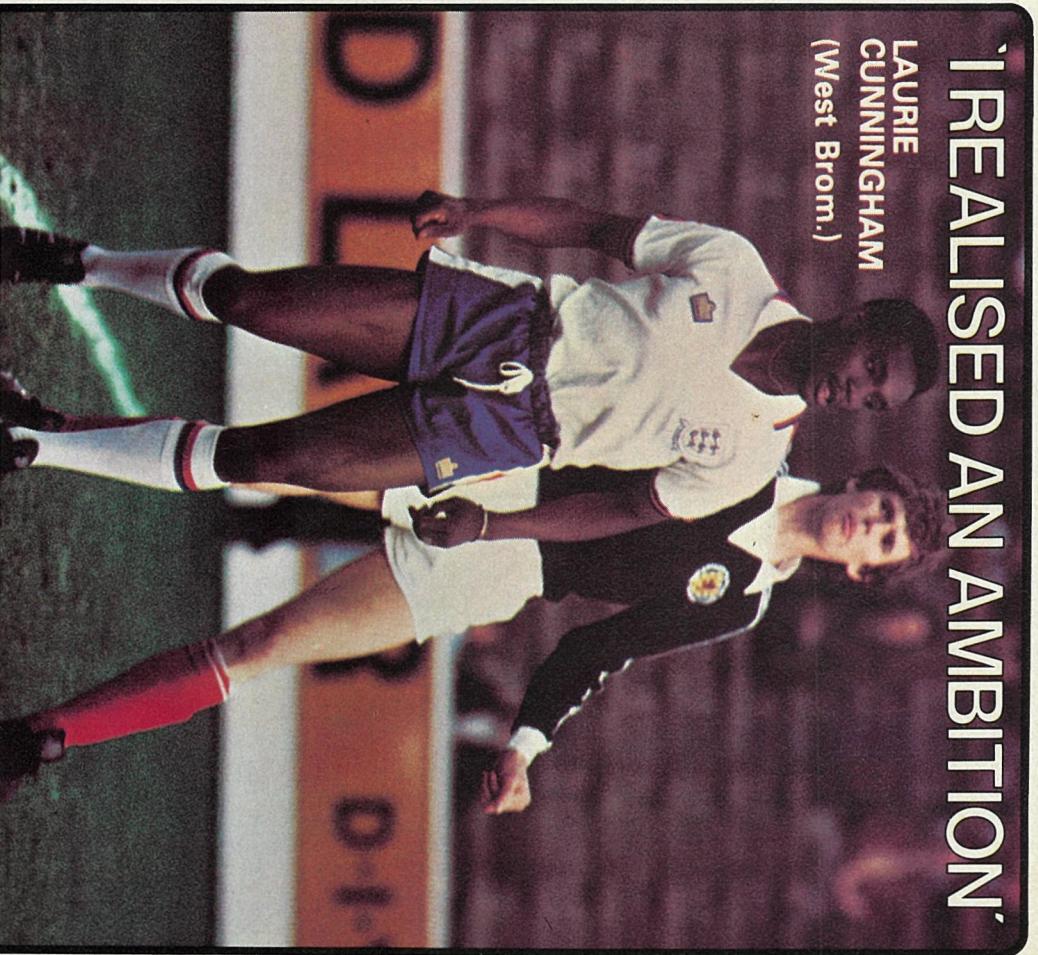
living."

"Terry helped me in training. In practice matches he'd blow up for diabolical things to see if I answered him back.

"Now, I just try to get on with my game."

I REALISED AN AMBITION

**LAURIE
CUNNINGHAM**
(West Brom.)



LAURIE CUNNINGHAM not only went into the record books as being the first black player to put on the white shirt of England at a senior level, he had also broken the ice for many other black footballers.

One man who saw that the skills of Cunningham were being wasted in the Second Division, and later to become his boss, was former manager of West Brom Johnny Giles, who said: "I don't give a damn whether a boy is black, red or green. If he can play, then I'm interested."

Many of the black footballers in this country think their chances of playing at international level are remote. Laurie explains: "At first, I felt the same way. I believed to be black in this country was to be a loser.

"My former manager at Orient, George Petchey, said the great majority of black and white players are in the same boat, fighting for a living."

That sound advice given by Petchey led Cunningham on the road to stardom. "Laurie could become one of the finest players in the world," says Petchey.

The black-face wing-half made his international debut against Scotland in an Under-21 match at Bramall Lane towards the end of last season.

To celebrate the historic occasion he scored the only goal of the game with a fierce header in the 49th minute.

Said Laurie: "I've realised one ambition, to be picked to play for my country. Now I'm aiming for a full cap."

IT HAPPENED JUST LIKE THAT!

ALAN SLOUGH
(Peterborough)

FULHAM skipper Alan Slough was looking forward to 1977/78 with the Craven Cottage club. He had no intentions to move — in fact, his ambitions were with the club he helped to reach Wembley in 1975.

Then, out of the blue, Peterborough made an offer of £20,000 which Fulham accepted.

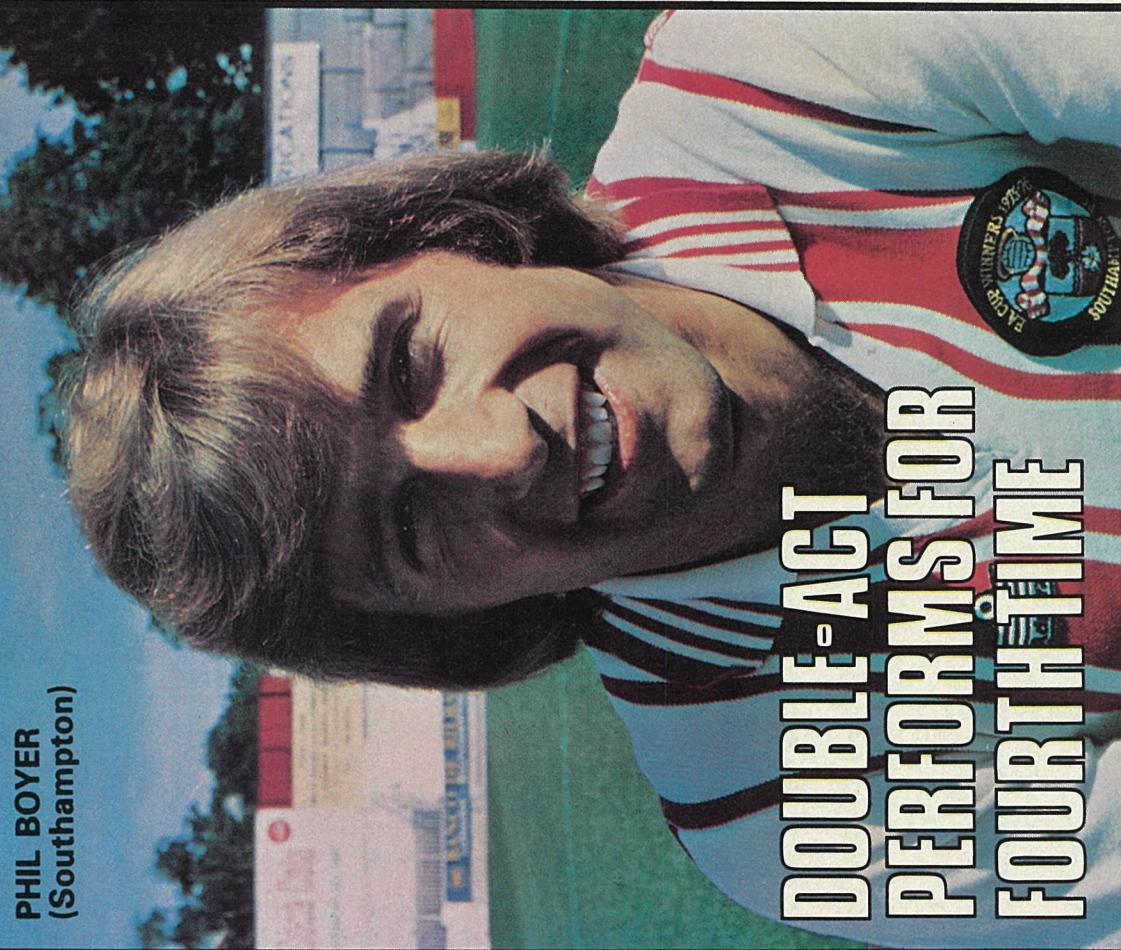
The 29-year-old versatile star says: "It happened just like that — as Tommy Cooper would say.

"I was sorry to leave Fulham because I had so many happy years there. But The Posh offered me a three-year contract which also gives me the chance to coach their apprentices.

"I hope later on to pursue this side of the game and I'm grateful Peterborough have given me a good opportunity to try my hand.

"It's a good set-up here and I know I'm going to enjoy myself. John Barnwell, the manager, is a go-ahead young boss who I'm sure will bring success to the club.

"I think Fulham will also have a good season. I've had a small bet on them going up."



PHIL BOYER
(Southampton)

DOUBLE-ACT PERFORMS FOR FOURTH TIME

WHEN IT became apparent that Phil Boyer could leave Norwich City it was almost taken for granted the talented England striker would remain in the First Division. But Boyer sprang a surprise when he decided to join Second Division Southampton! What influenced his decision?

"I was very impressed with the set-up, and particularly manager Lawrie McMenemy, at The Dell," says Boyer. "Also the fact Ted MacDougall was there. "We seem to complement each other. I play wider than Ted, who goes through the middle more than me."

It is the fourth time these two strikers have played together at the same club — the others being York City, Bournemouth and Norwich City. "Of all the managers I have played under," remembers Phil. "John Bond, at Bournemouth and Norwich, has had the biggest influence on my career. He made me the player I am, and I'll never forget what I learned from him."

If the Ted MacDougall and Phil Boyer strike force can work successfully again then Saints must be among the favourites for promotion this season.



Third Division — Football League

RANGERS' ROMP

The most sensational runaway Championship in Third Division history was that of Queens Park Rangers in 1966-67. Even going back to the days of the Northern and Southern Sections there had been nothing to match the Rangers' feat of winning the Championship with a margin of 12 points ahead of nearest rivals Middlesbrough. O.P.R. really established themselves at the head of the table in late November and were then never topped from that position. After losing their first away game 1-0 at Watford they played 15 games



RODNEY MARSH

without defeat before going down 1-0 at home to Oldham — their only home defeat that season. This was the campaign in which Rodney Marsh first made his name as a goalscorer by netting 43 in League and Cup games. The team was generally Peter Springett; Tony Hazell, Jimmy Langley; Mike Keen, Ron Hunt, Frank Sibley; Mark Lazarus, Keith Sanderson, Les Allen, Rodney Marsh and Roger Morgan.

UNBEATEN AT HOME

In 1929-30 Brentford won all of their home games in Third Division (South), a Football League record. It was during this season The Bees fielded an unchanged side in a run of 20 successive League matches. But despite their remarkable success at home they still failed to win promotion, finishing runners-up but seven points behind a great Plymouth Argyle combination who were, however, beaten 3-0 on their visit to Griffin Park. Those were the days of such Brentford favourites as the goalscoring Lanes, Jack and Billy, and skipper Reg Davies.

EIGHT AWAYS

On September 27th, 1958, eight of the 12 games in the Third Division resulted in away wins. This is a record for the Division. Two of the remaining games were drawn and only top-of-the-table Plymouth Argyle (who beat Bournemouth 3-1) and O.P.R. (who beat Bury 2-1) were home winners.

ROVERS' BEST-EVER

One of the most eventful seasons was enjoyed by Doncaster Rovers in Third Division (North) in 1946-47. With Clarrie Jordan banging home the goals (42 in 41 games) the Rovers amassed 72 points, a new high in Football League history, not exceeded until 1975-76 when Lincoln City gained 74 points with four more games. Doncaster's total of 37 away points in 1946-47 was also a record for the Northern Section, while their total of 18 away wins was a Football League record. To add to the remarkable statistics of this glorious season the Rovers' total of 33 victories was the best ever in Division III (North), while they suffered only three defeats — one at home and two away. Alas, however, the Rovers were relegated 12 months later!

NO WAGES AT MAN. U.

After being relegated from the First Division in 1931 the Manchester United club was hit by a crisis which came to a head on December 18th when the bank refused to allow them any more credit. The club was already in arrears with their Income Tax and struggling to meet their mortgage payments, but the situation looked really bad when they had no money to pay players' wages. The players agreed to wait for their money, but just when the situation was at its blackest it was happily cleared up by the intervention of Mr. James Gibson who paid the players' wages and guaranteed their liabilities for a couple of weeks until matters could be properly sorted out and he came on to the Board of Directors. But for Mr. Gibson, British football might have missed a great deal.

CHARLTON BEAT FRANCE

Charlton Athletic created a sensation in the mid-1930's by winning promotion in two successive seasons and following this by finishing as League Championship runners-up in the third season. The move that put Charlton Athletic on the football map was the appointment of Jimmy Seed as secretary-manager in September, 1933. Within two years he had built up one of the finest sides in the country with the minimum of outlay in the transfer

Club Sensations

market. Indeed, the only player for whom Jimmy Seed paid even a moderately substantial fee before the War was Don Welsh from Torquay United for £3,500 in March, 1935.

Apart from Welsh the team which went from the Third Division to Championship runners-up within the space of three years 1935-37 included such club favourites as goalkeeper Sam Bartram, full-backs Norman Smith and Jimmy Oakes, half-backs John Oakes and Bert Turner, and forwards Harold Hobbs, George Robinson and Monty Wilkinson. The fame of this side spread abroad and on Sunday, April 11th, 1937, Charlton were invited to Paris where they beat the full French international team 5-2!

AMATEURS HUMBLE PROUD PRESTON

When Preston North End were at the height of their power in 1889, having just completed the League and Cup Double, the famous amateur side — the Corinthians — created a sensation by beating them 5-0 at Richmond Athletic Ground. The date was November 18th, 1889. Two days earlier Preston had beaten Everton, then the second best side in the Football League, and the Preston men claimed the exertions of that game plus the travelling as excuses for their humiliating defeat in London. But as the reporter in the "Athletic News" commented at the time "a side that makes its living from football should be prone to disadvantages such as these; or else what is the use of so much training?"

Don Welsh is chaired by his team-mates after Charlton had beaten Burnley in the 1947 F.A. Cup Final.



THE LEFT-BACK WHO GOES FOR GOALS

THE speedy dashes of full-back Alan Kennedy down the left-wing for Newcastle United often make him a dangerous extra forward for the Tynesiders. So maybe it's not surprising the popular defender has a secret ambition — to take on a permanent role as an attacker.

Says Alan: "I love scoring goals, and moving forward. In fact, I would prefer being an attacking midfield man, or even playing further up-front. But the club prefers me at full-back, and I enjoy playing anywhere where I can help out."

As a left-back, Kennedy's opportunities of becoming a regular goalscorer are limited, but his speed off the mark and aggressive runs on the flank put him into positions where he can shoot or create chances for his team-mates. And his ability has gained him Under-23 honours, plus inclusion in the full England squad and an experience which brought him the biggest disappointment of his career.

"Three seasons ago I was selected to play against West Germany," recalls Alan. "But an injury stopped me from turning out, and since then I have not been able to make a return. Don Revie, while he was England's team-manager, didn't seem to be too keen on players from the North-East, and at Newcastle, I thought Irving Natrass was worth a place in the England side some time ago."

Alan Kennedy— Newcastle United

But for Kennedy at the present time, the top priority is a return by the club to the sort of football that gained them a place in Europe at the end of last season.

The first month of this term was a bad one for Newcastle, ending with a home League Cup defeat by Millwall on August 31, and following defeats by Liverpool, Middlesbrough and West Brom. The Cup set-back only emphasised our habit of losing to clubs from lower Divisions in knock-out competitions, and forced us to take stock of ourselves.

"Our manager, Richard Dinnis, called a special meeting in which we discussed everything that related to our game. We hope to have benefited enough from the meeting to be able to show an

Kennedy in action for Newcastle (right). Below, he is pictured with former St. James' Park manager Joe Harvey.



improvement on the field that can bring us in some points.

"After beating Leeds we were not consistent, which was made plain to us when we lost at Anfield. On that display I would say Liverpool will once again be leading Championship contenders, along with Manchester City, Manchester United and Ipswich, the same sides who were up there last season — and I want Newcastle to be among them again.

"And without disrespect to any of our players, I think Newcastle really need a top-class goalscorer. Of course, we are not alone in this respect, and in the North-East, Middlesbrough have had a similar problem. Now my hope is the clubs in the area, Newcastle, Middlesbrough and Sunderland, all have a good season."

Alan, who was born in Sunderland, had early ambitions of playing for The Wearsiders. These vanished at the age of 12.

"My brother, Keith, went to Newcastle, and after that, all my ambitions were directed to St. James' Park, where I later followed Keith — and my main wish for the club is to help it to a better position in the League, and if possible to F.A. Cup success and a good run in Europe.

"We know at St James' it's only a few months ago we were getting results that gave us plenty of confidence. And what we did once we can do again.

"In 1974, Newcastle's defeat by Liverpool in the F.A. Cup Final and later in 1976 to Manchester City in the League Cup Final, were severe setbacks. In the future I'd like to be with a winning United side at Wembley."



Two of Poland's most famous, and talented, players fill in our International Star Spot for this week:



JAN TOMASZEWSKI

Poland were the surprise team of the 1974 World Cup. First they staggered the soccer world by eliminating England in their qualifying group, then they proved it was no fluke by notching third place in the Finals. One of the Poland players who caught the eye was their 'keeper Jan Tomaszewski (above, seen saving from West Germany's Gerd Muller), who in the Finals saved two penalties and conceded only five goals in seven matches. The 29-year-old 'keeper now has over 50 Polish caps to his credit.

'We've a chance of winning the next World Cup'

SHOOT: You really made a name for yourself as one of the world's top goalkeepers during the 1974 World Cup. How do you rate yourself among the world's best?

TOMASZEWSKI: I'm sorry, but I prefer not to make judgments about myself. I think it's better for you journalists to do so. In my opinion the whole Polish team played well in Germany, but if you ask me about goalkeepers I must say I think Sepp Maier is probably the best in Europe at the moment, followed by the Italian 'keeper Zoff. I'd like to have Zoff's technical ability between the posts and Maier's sense of anticipation and timing. If I could somehow combine the qualities of those two, I'd definitely be the best in the world!

SHOOT: Poland have had very little trouble in qualifying for next year's World Cup in Argentina, but do you honestly think your Polish side can improve on its 1974 performance?

TOMASZEWSKI: Well, it'll be basically the same side that played in West Germany in 1974, but of course we'll all have had four more years' experience of top-level football. We'll be very well prepared mentally and physically, and I think we've developed a good tactical system. So far our results have been promising — as you say, we dominated our qualifying group right from the start and we were Olympic runners-up last year in Montreal. In the meantime we've been playing a lot of friendlies, though we've treated these as purely practice games.

SHOOT: Do you think Poland can actually win the 1978 World Cup?

TOMASZEWSKI: Yes, I think we've got a very good chance. I would say West Germany, Holland and Poland are the favourites to win. I'm still not convinced West Germany can be as good as before without Franz Beckenbauer, nor am I convinced Holland can be the same if Johan Cruyff sticks to his word and doesn't play in Argentina. So I think we've a real chance of winning.

SHOOT: You haven't included Brazil or Argentina in your short-list of favourites?

TOMASZEWSKI: No. I don't think a South American team has a chance of winning the World Cup, even though the Argentinians will have the advantage of playing at home. And in Argentina, that's quite an advantage, too! When we played in Buenos Aires I'd never seen anything like it! Argentinian crowds are different, and they certainly make a lot of noise.

SHOOT: You were saying the South Americans haven't got a chance.

TOMASZEWSKI: I say that for a lot of reasons. They haven't any tactical discipline. The players are too individualistic, and they're not very strong. They've good ball control but they make poor use of it. They hang on to the ball too long and they play too slowly. In the meantime I think the level of play has been improving in Europe, and I'm sure the World Cup will be dominated by European teams.

SHOOT: But not England.

TOMASZEWSKI: It's a pity. At club level I'm sure English football is the best in Europe. It's a pity the national team has been so badly neglected.

GRZEGORZ LATO

Grzegorz Lato (below, scoring for Poland against Sweden during the 1974 World Cup Finals), doesn't look like a footballer. His receding hairline makes him look older than his 27 years. But make no mistake, Lato is still a deadly striker. He was top scorer in the 1974 World Cup Finals with seven goals in seven matches, and his performances in Poland's qualifying group for the 1978 edition suggest that four years have made little difference to his striking power.

'West Germany are the best side in Europe'

SHOOT: Can we expect Lato to be one of the stars of the 1978 World Cup?

LATO: Forgive me, but I prefer not to talk of "stars". In the Polish team we are all equally important in the correct functioning of the team. I happen to be a fast sprinter, and I have a flair for scoring goals. And people tend to notice the marksmen. But it's only fair to point out my job in the side is to get goals. If I score, then I'm doing my job well; if I don't, then I've done my job badly. Sometimes I hardly see the ball all the game, and I come off the pitch feeling a complete failure.

SHOOT: Do you think you'd score goals if you played in another country?

LATO: I hope so. Personally I like the style of football the Dutch clubs play. But then perhaps the British style would suit me better. All those long balls would really allow me to take full advantage of my speed.

SHOOT: Poland were the surprise team of the 1974 World Cup — are they a good prospect for next year?

LATO: We're a good team, but at the moment the best in Europe is undoubtedly West Germany. They work hard, and they never admit they're beaten until the final whistle goes. Each player knows exactly what his job is. And they've all got the mental capacity to read the game well and to find the weaknesses in the opposition. I don't think any other European side can claim to be such a complete team. We attempt to make the ball do most of the work; we try to have a clear picture of exactly what we want to do with the ball; and we're always looking for a colleague who's managed to drift into a scoring position. I'd say at the moment Poland are among the top sides in Europe. The team is still a little lacking in balance, but we've developed a good, well-defined style and we'll certainly be difficult to beat in Argentina.

SHOOT: Talking about Argentina, the results of Poland's tour of South America were disappointing, weren't they?

LATO: I don't think so. Remember the object of the tour was purely to gain experience of playing against



South American opposition and to find out more about playing conditions in Argentina during the month of June.

SHOOT: What were your impressions of the South Americans?

LATO: I think what we saw confirmed the traditional difference between Europe and South America still exists. The European is faster than the South American. I think their main problem is they're slow to pass the ball, and this gives a typical European defence ample time to regroup. Also the South American player tends to be very good when he's got the ball, but nowhere near as effective when he hasn't got it. When the Brazilians managed to put together a fast, quick-thinking team in 1970 they won the World Cup easily, but since then they seem to have reverted to the traditional dreamy style.

SHOOT: Do you predict another World Cup win for a European team?

LATO: In football, predictions are always dangerous, but I think the next World Champions could be any one of four teams — West Germany, Holland or Argentina, because they'll have a big advantage playing before their own crowds.

SHOOT: You said four teams, and that's only three...

LATO: Well, I think you can take it for granted Poland are going to be in at the kill!!

RECORDS ALL THE WAY FOR CHAMPIONS COSMOS

THE COSMOS received a pop-star welcome when they arrived at Kennedy Airport on their return to New York from Portland as North American Soccer League Champions.

As the team flew in from Oregon, having beaten the Seattle Sounders 2-1, the crowd chanted: "Pele . . . Cosmos Number one." A policeman remarked he'd seen nothing like it since the Beatles and the Pope visited.

It was a fitting end to a controversial season for the Cosmos, thumped Stevie after some heated

who had their ups and downs, but did much to establish soccer as a major sport in the States.

There have been many upheavals for the Cosmos recently, with management troubles and discontent among the players.

At the centre of the storm is Italian centre-forward Giorgio Chinaglia who scored the winning goal against the Sounders. Former Aston Villa star Stevie Hunt was voted the Most Valuable Player, yet not long ago Chinaglia

voted the Most Valuable Player,

words!

Chinaglia has a lot of power and it is rumoured that he has a say in many top decisions.

But it is Pele and Beckenbauer who have reached the stature of national heroes. The Cosmos have consistently outdrawn the established American football and baseball with crowds of almost 80,000.

The average attendance for the 17-game Championship was a record 29,000 and next season can only show an improvement.

National T.V. coverage and multi-million dollar offers are being considered and soccer often now makes the front page of the exalted New York Times.

The Cosmos' victory was a fitting end for Pele, who retires officially on October 1st. The 36-year-old Brazilian says "This has been my greatest year" . . . and he means it.

Pele has become as popular with soccer in the States as he did in Brazil and few will begrudge the Cosmos their victory if only for his sake.

The season has had its bad moments, but right now the happy ending is all that matters.



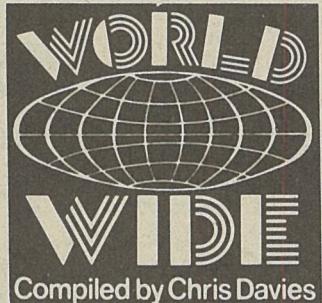
COSMOS players celebrate a goal during their game against Seattle Sounders which crowned them as North American Soccer League Champions.

ASSISTANT manager of Inter-Milan, Cella, has been suspended for two years. Cella was found guilty of urging his players to play very hard regardless of being sent-off. An Italian League official overheard Cella giving his orders and reported the matter to the disciplinary committee.

THE LAST 'GREAT' GOES

Manolo Velazquez (below), last survivor of the great Real Madrid team of the early 60's, has finally left the club. Real have decided to release the 34-year-old midfielder who's been with them for 19 years, including short spells on loan to Rayo Vallecano and Malaga.

With Real, Velazquez won nine League titles, four Spanish Cups and one European Cup. Real staged a special match against Eintracht Braunschweig to mark his departure, and the gate receipts totalled just over £90,000 — of which £65,000 will go directly to Velazquez.



AFTER their humiliating World Cup defeats against Peru (0-5) and Brazil (0-8), the Bolivians have decided it's time to take drastic measures in a bid to improve the standard of their football.

As a first step, the remaining fixtures in the La Paz local Championship have been cancelled, and for the first time an all-professional National League has been set up.

Sixteen clubs will be taking part, including teams from the capital La Paz, Sucre, Cochabamba, Potosi, Oruro and Santa Cruz.

FOR THE NEW season the West German F.A. have signed a T.V. highlights deal and share out £50,000 as part of the proceeds to each of the 18 Bundesliga clubs. Even Division Two sides who don't figure on the programmes get £7,500 each.

STANDARD Liege fans were unhappy when FC Boom forward Eddy Koenens hit their goalkeeper on the head during a Belgian League game.

Koenens had to leave the ground by a special exit and caught the players' coach two miles up the road.

OGC NICE made a little piece of history last month when they beat Saint-Etienne in "Les Verts" own stadium.

This was the first time Saint-Etienne had lost a home game since March 25th, 1973 . . . 105 games.

APPARENTLY the seeded countries for the World Cup Finals are: Argentina (who will be based in Buenos Aires), West Germany (in Cordoba), Brazil (in Mar del Plata) and either Italy or England (in Mendoza).

ARGENTINA TO STUDY SOCCER VIOLENCE

VIOLENT behaviour by football players is to be the subject of a government study in Argentina. The move has been sparked off by the deaths of two men in incidents involving professional players.

The first concerned a 37-year-old waiter in a Buenos Aires bar who was badly beaten up by three Chacarita Juniors players after a League match. The waiter finally died in hospital after a seven-month struggle to save his life.

The second incident took place in Cordoba — one of the 1978 World Cup sub-centres. In a match between Sportivo Rural Santa Eufemia and Belgrano Juniors, the Sportivo players brutally attacked a linesman, kicking him until they broke his skull. Neither the Belgrano players nor anyone in the crowd came to his rescue.

And they say that football's only a game . . .

● Picture shows some dangerous action from a League game in Argentina.



Who pays Cruyff's tax?

A ZARAGOZA newspaper recently put a cat amongst the pigeons in Barcelona by reporting the Spanish Inland Revenue are chasing Johan Cruyff for around £300,000 in back tax.

The Dutch ace is apparently refusing to pay, claiming that, according to the terms of his contract, Barcelona must cough up the money.

Our Spanish correspondent confirms this is the case, but adds the club will be sorely pressed to find £300,000 in cash at the moment.

We await developments.

ITALY'S TRANSFER MERRY-GO-ROUND

Here's a list of the big-money transfers in Italy. Their transfer season was somewhat quieter than usual, but there was still plenty of interesting activity. The prices quoted often include player-plus-cash deals:

PLAYER	POSITION	FROM	TO	FEE
Virdis	Striker	Cagliari	Juventus	£1,400,000
Altobelli	Striker	Brescia	Inter	£840,000
Fanna	Striker	Atalanta	Juventus	£700,000
Pin	Midfield	Perugia	Napoli	£630,000
Tosetto	Striker	Minza	AC Milan	£630,000
Viola	Midfield	Lazio	Bologna	£560,000
Buriani	Midfield	Monza	AC Milan	£560,000
De Ponti	Striker	Cesena	Bologna	£560,000
Mattolini	G'keeper	Fiorentina	Napoli	£350,000
Restelli	Midfield	Fiorentina	Napoli	£350,000

At the end of the transactions, this is how the clubs' financial positions were:				
Atalanta	.....	.....	.....	+£265,000
Bologna	.....	.....	.....	+£193,000
Fiorentina	.....	.....	.....	+£600,000
Foggia	.....	.....	.....	-£327,000
Genoa	.....	.....	.....	-£600,000
Inter	.....	.....	.....	even
Juventus	.....	.....	.....	-£467,000
L. R. Vicenza	.....	.....	.....	-£134,000
Lazio	.....	.....	.....	+£367,000
AC Milan	.....	.....	.....	-£265,000
Napoli	.....	.....	.....	-£534,000
Perugia	.....	.....	.....	+£234,000
Pescara	.....	.....	.....	-£467,000
Roma	.....	.....	.....	+£134,000
Torino	.....	.....	.....	+£67,000
Verona	.....	.....	.....	even

This week's Star Letter comes from Malcolm Gaiger of Forest Gate, London, who wins our Special Prize of £3. He writes:

GROUND RESTRICTIONS— TOO LATE?

THIS summer many clubs were told to improve their grounds to comply with the new regulations laid down by the Government.

The action was taken after the Ibrox Disaster six years ago... which is precisely my argument. Why did it take six years to get something done?

Moves should have been taken immediately after the Ibrox tragedy. Improvements wouldn't have cost clubs as much but in these days of financial strife, the new legislation is hitting clubs hard.

They can't afford the improvements, yet with smaller capacities they receive even less revenue.

It seems the clubs have not had the consideration and assistance they deserve.

As Wales manager Mike Smith says: "It's bureaucracy gone mad!" Because of the restrictions at Ninian Park, Cardiff, Wales must play their World Cup tie against Scotland at Anfield, home of Liverpool F.C. It's interesting to ponder on who would have taken the blame had another disaster happened while the enquiry was going on.

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Pen-Friend

I'M A 16-year-old Swedish boy and would like to have pen-friends all over the world. My favourite team is Manchester United.

GUNNAR ANDERSSON,
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SWEDEN.

Correct Name

I'M CONFUSED. You refer to Kevin Keegan's new club as Hamburger SV but the newspapers call it SV Hamburg. Could you tell me who Kevin really plays for?

STEPHEN GRANT,
LUTON.

Hamburger Sport Verein is the official name of the club, called Hamburger SV or HSV for short. We are right, and the rest of the media wrong. Hamburg is the name of the city Hamburger SV play in, along with their Bundesliga neighbours St. Pauli.

T.V. Blackout

I WOULD be interested to know your views on the T.V. blackout of Scottish football because of the refusal to televise players who have advertisements on their jerseys.

The trade name on Hibernian's shirts is less obvious than the hoardings around the ground, or players' equipment at other sporting events, notably the recent Turnberry Open Golf tournament.

ANN MACDONALD,
EDINBURGH.

T.V. is presumably worried about close-ups which show the sponsor's name. If the clubs get more money from these companies than from T.V. they won't worry. Many feel this enforced break of soccer on "the box" will be an interesting experiment. I find it hard to see the difference between showing an advert for the Daily Mirror round the side of the ground and the name of a company on the shirt.

Poor Choice

YOUR standard of columnists has dropped. Gone are the days when household names like George Best and Bobby Moore used to pass their views and experience on to readers.

The present team is disappointing; they are immature in expressing themselves and do not bridge the gap of the understanding between player and fan.

You tend to sign one-night wonders. In terms of experience, who else is better than Emlyn Hughes?

KEVIN CHANG,
SINGAPORE.

SHOOT only reflects soccer and it is sad, but true, there are no players at the moment with the stature of Moore, Bobby Charlton or Denis Law in Britain. However, we chose Kevin Keegan when he was relatively unknown and he's now one of the top stars in Europe. I don't think Gordon Hill, Andy Gray or Ray Wilkins will be "one-night wonders" and while I agree about Emlyn Hughes, I feel Ray Clemence is every bit as popular and as a goalkeeper can present a new angle to readers. And as for Danny McGrain and John Greig — their credentials speak for them.

Mistake

In your 17th September issue you stated Manchester City were playing LKS Lodz — in fact, it was Widzew Lodz.

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When Don Revie arrived in the United Arab Emirates he encountered a nation desperate for football success . . . he'll now have to cope with players turning up to training sessions five days late . . . players who don't like heading the ball because they're worried about getting sand in their eyes . . . and one thing is certain —

'Revie won't last four years'

THAT'S the view of Bill McGarry — the former Wolves' manager who has spent the last year in charge of the Saudi Arabian side. A year that has given McGarry a unique insight into the problems of teaching and improving the game on primitive surfaces under a blazing and unremitting sun.

"There's no way Don will last his four-year contract. A lot of things will surprise him . . . first the quality of players he has got to deal with. For the past 15 years, Don has been dealing with really great individuals but he'll find that the quality just isn't there.

"Training sessions are not terribly important to them and when Don gets his camp together, I'm sure players will arrive anything up to five days late. Perhaps his communication problems won't be as bad as mine because the Emirates

is nowhere near as big as Saudi.

"Their attitudes will give him problems as well — when you've been dealing with professionals you just can't go out there and expect players to react in the same way because they won't. They are amateurs and they think and behave like amateurs. So you can't be as strict or firm with them as you would like and that means you have problems establishing the discipline you need.

"I think he's going to get a big shock . . . it will be very strange to him and he'll deserve all the

money he earns. I still think it's worth the money but the social life out there is almost non-existent. I managed to play a little squash but there's no theatres, cinemas or pubs. There really are very few places to go when you've finished work so it's very difficult to occupy your time.

"I think Don has had so much stick from the Press and other people that he's pleased to get out . . . I think he has gone out there to rest his mind as much as anything. I have changed in my year in Saudi and I feel sure Don's view of the game will alter as well.

"I can look at football now with a far wider-angled lens . . . we in England have got blinkers on, we think we are the best and we no longer are. We have got to go out now and watch what other countries are doing. Other sides have come to England during the last 50 years and copied us successfully and we have got to do the same.

"The Arabic football boom certainly isn't just an expensive joke. I have taken my side to play Tunisia, Morocco, Iraq and Iran and they are all very good sides. They are going in front of us and we have got to be very careful.

"If we keep being complacent we are going to get an awful shock. We missed the 1974 World Finals and could fail again for 1978 and that is just not on for a country like ours that is supposed to be one of the leaders of world football.

"Coaches and managers have got to go out and see what some of the others are doing. Kuwait and Iran have got a far better chance than us of going to the World Cup and Tunisia could also qualify. That shows how serious they are about the whole thing."

And Bill McGarry feels the way of life in the United Arab Emirates as well as the standard of footballers at his disposal will prevent Revie from seeing out his four-year contract worth around £333,000.

"Don is used to certain things in his own social life and I think he will miss these tremendously. He

will miss his friends and his golf and he will have to endure many long hours either in the sun or reading in bed thinking 'What the hell am I doing out here?' He will have to lie back and think of the money. Don and I haven't earned the type of money from testimonials like Jack Charlton and Bobby Moore for instance.

"He must have patience. He must not expect too much from these people. It is going to take him a few months to get them together but don't think he won't be under pressure over there. The enthusiasm of the people is fantastic and they will expect miracles from him. They won't take into consideration the players at his disposal are not quite as good as Kuwait or Iran — they will expect Don Revie to go out there and make his players better. So he has got quite a job on his hands."

As for Bill McGarry himself — he now wants to return to the British game. He has just taken his Saudi Arabian team to Sweden and based at Warwick University they played friendlies against Birmingham City, Aston Villa and Blackpool. McGarry expects to be back home in the market for a job around October and he feels his experiences with the Saudis will stand him in good stead.

"I think I am a more mature person now. Whether I am a better manager or not I just don't know. I suppose I will be able to tell you that if I get a job and achieve better results than I have in the past. A manager is only judged on results. You can be a good boss and not get the results you deserve. I know one or two who do everything wrong but get good results — so they are thought of as good managers.

"But I would like to come back and see how my own mind and ideas have changed now I have got the financial security I have never had before when I was always a bit afraid of getting the bullet. Now I don't have to worry about that so I might be a better person."



Don Revie (left) will have many problems as boss of the United Arab Emirates. Bill McGarry (below, left) during a training session with the Saudi Arabian national squad. The Saudis assembled (below, right) before the start of a six week tour last year.



RAY CLEMENCE

talking soccer



'A Liverpool player in every way'

KENNY Dalglish was made-to-measure for Liverpool. I can't imagine another player fitting in so well straight away. From the moment he arrived at Anfield he made an impressive impact.

The £440,000 from the half-million pounds the club received for my friend Kevin Keegan is already reaping a rewarding dividend. Kenny is a different type of player from Kev, but will prove to be at least equally valuable in terms of entertaining the paying customers and helping to maintain the flow of honours to Anfield.

It's a fact most big signings feel themselves under pressure to justify the huge price on their heads, but Kenny has not shown the slightest sign of being stressed in any way.

He has the confidence of an extremely gifted player, knows he has the innate ability that stamps him out above most others who play in the same position, and has concentrated on playing his natural game. There's not the slightest sign of swollen-headedness about him. He's very modest and unassuming.

I've been an admirer of Kenny for a long time. He simply oozes class. He's the bane of goalkeepers, as I know to my cost when I've played against him in England/Scotland games and in friendlies with Celtic.

At the moment almost everything he tries on the pitch seems to come off. With four goals in a spell of four

games, he's already looking set to become our top scorer at the end of the season. Unlike many goalscorers with other clubs, he will release the ball to a team-mate who is better placed for a shot. He's not selfish or a glory-seeker.

In many ways he reminds me of those legendary goalgetters, Jimmy Greaves and Denis Law. Like them, his quickness of thought and action makes it appear he has so much time to do things with the ball.

He packs a hefty kick, but has a knack of deceiving goalkeepers with a soft-hit, bobbly shot that goes under the body. Chelsea's John Phillips learned that fact the hard way when we beat the London club 2-0 at Anfield in the League Cup — as I did in 1976 at Hampden Park, Glasgow, against Scotland.

He's fitted in so well, it's difficult to believe he's only been around Anfield for a couple of months. He acts like a Liverpool player in every way. The set-ups at Anfield and Celtic Park must be very similar in many aspects.

I'd always assumed Celtic had a comparatively easy life in Scottish football — which they and the other part of Glasgow's "Old Firm", Ran-

gers, have dominated for so long — but Kenny has changed my opinion. He informs me that because every team is out to beat them, they always have to start every match in top gear in an attempt to wear down the opposition quickly.

However, he does concede football South of the border is played at a faster pace, and defences are better organised.

As far as training goes, Kenny found it hard at first, simply because he'd stayed at home for Celtic's pre-season tour and played in only a few reserve team games before joining us. It was obvious he

tired in the last 20 minutes in his first game for Liverpool — the Charity Shield at Wembley — a testing debut for anyone.

But he's one of those lads who enjoys training, and it's noticeable he's getting sharper every day.

Although not a fitness fanatic, he really looks after himself. He's almost teetotal. The only alcoholic drink he'll touch is an occasional Cinzano and lemonade.

Our magnificent fans took to Kenny right from the start. Chants of "Kenny Dalglish walks on water" now rival those of "Joey, Joey Jones" from the Kop.

Joey was the "Kop King" before the arrival of his challenger for the crown. It'll be interesting to see which our fans cheer most for in the Wales/Scotland game scheduled for Anfield in October.

'Kenny's getting sharper all the time'



Kenny was really impressed by the size of the crowd for our opening home League match against Newcastle. Something like an attendance of 48,000, which in Scotland happens only at Old Firm matches, but which we can expect regularly now we're European Champions.

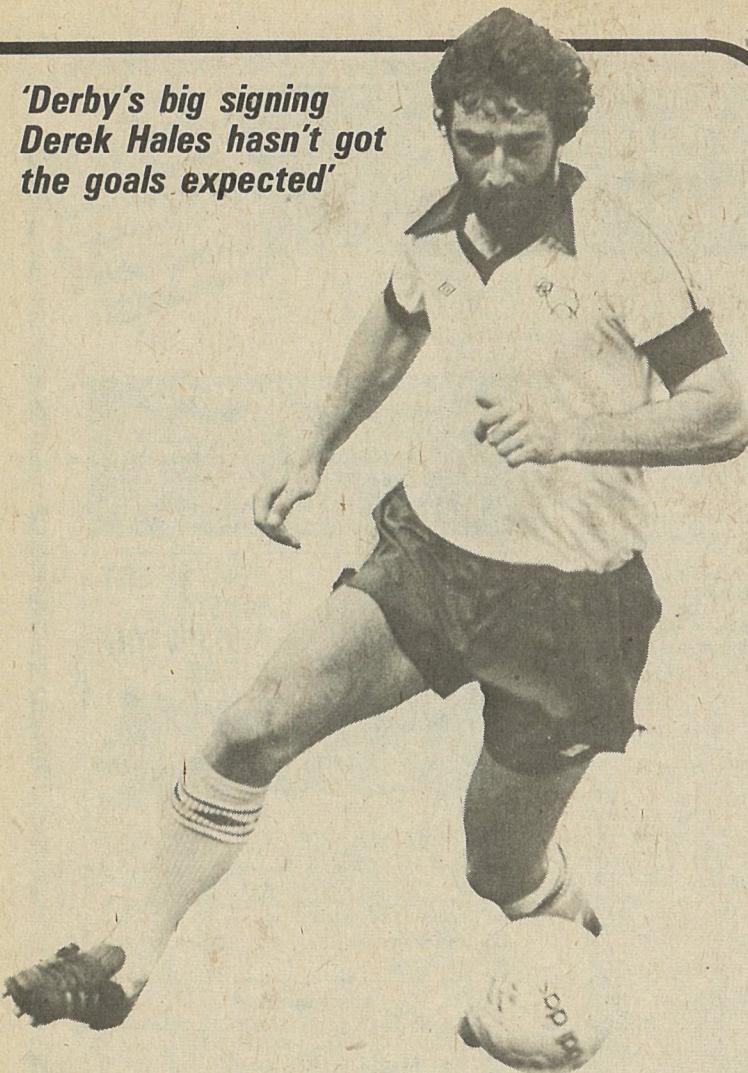
And with Kenny improving game by game, we stand a good chance of retaining that magnificent, big European Cup that stands in pride of place in our trophy room.

If Kenny had been struggling, he would not have held his place in the team. For, unlike many other clubs, Liverpool never feel impelled to persevere with a new signing simply because he cost a lot of money.

Competition for places at Anfield is razor-keen now, as our previous record signing, David Johnson, will testify. "Johnno" is a great character, but has so far failed to adapt his style that proved so effective at Everton and Ipswich to that needed at Liverpool.

The examples of Ray Kennedy and Terry McDermott should give him hope. Both spent a time in the reserves before breaking through into the first team and establishing

**'Derby's big signing
Derek Hales hasn't got
the goals expected'**



themselves.

An extra bonus for their efforts were places in the England side for the recent Switzerland game.

We all knew Terry Mac had the ability. Now he's added consistency, that vital ingredient found in every established Anfield Red.

Of course, Kenny Dalglish was not our only close-season signing from Scotland. There's Alan Hansen, a back-four man bought from Partick Thistle for £100,000, who has yet to make his first team debut.

Alan resembles Larry Lloyd, our former defender now with "new boys" Nottingham Forest, in several aspects. The way he runs, his tenacity and stature.

John Toshack, who's also been playing in the reserves — recovering from an Achilles tendon operation — speaks glowingly of Alan, and rates him very highly.

It's strange we went through all last season without a single Scot in the side — a rarity for honours-winners — and this season could well end up with two "Anglos".

This Saturday we entertain Derby County in the League at Anfield, a club that have amazingly declined in the past 18 months.

Their big signing, Derek Hales, has so far failed to get the goals his impressive tally with Charlton Athletic led the Midlands club to expect.

He regained his scoring touch with a goal in Derby's defeat of Orient in the League Cup, but this

only signifies it's easier for him to score against Second Division opposition.

In the First, defenders are more consistent, highly drilled, and make fewer mistakes on which opponents can capitalise.

Of course, the blame for Derby's slump cannot be laid solely at Derek's feet — that would be very unfair to him. The club has also been hard hit by injuries, Roy MacFarland in particular, and has only the bare minimum of experienced players, eleven or twelve, in its squad. The rest are youngsters.

The outstanding Ram for me is Colin Todd. He combines superbly with Roy MacFarland. Unfortunately, Roy may still be sidelined with injury, and this throws a heavy burden on Toddie.

Kevin Keegan always reckoned Colin was his most difficult opponent. It was always fascinating to watch them duelling.

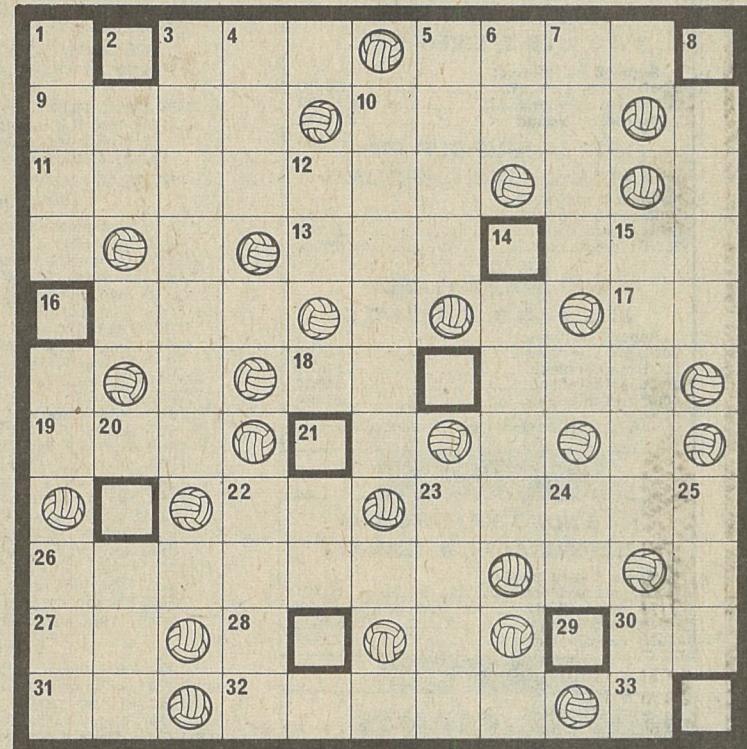
This time, it could be Kenny's turn to face Colin. Another test for our most expensive man — who has passed all his "Anfield exams" so far with top marks!

Ray Clemence

Go for the Double

After solving the clues in this specially compiled crossword, you can use the letters in the thick-edged squares to form the name of a new Everton striker.

Answers on page 42



ACROSS:

- effiel- W-dnesd-y. Sun cover made from the missing letters.
- Joey —, Liverpool full-back.
- Some clubs who do not own their grounds have to — facilities.
- Painful; as one's leg after a hard knock.
- Town. The team from Portman Road.
- Temporary possessors — as the clubs in clue 9.
- Currie, Leeds United and England player.
- Kevin --ctor of Derby County.
- Descriptive of one person who belongs to a club or team.
- A-f-e Co-n, Celtic striker, the omissions reversed.
- Brian -Ider- of Leicester City.
- Sir Matt B-aby, former manager of Man. Utd.
- C----al Palac-. Wheel coverings from the omissions.
- Phil —, Luton's recent signing.
- Ian M-o-es Spurs striker.
- Alan --wing of Newcastle United.
- Father is needed in Sun-erl-n.
- George -err- of Wolves.
- Use five letters from Everton to go in!
- Geoff --rick of Bristol City.

DOWN:

- Peter —, England's No. 2 goalkeeper.
- The haunch or fleshy part of the thigh.
- They won the F.A. Cup in 1970/1 and were losing Finalists in 1971/2.
- av- -atson of Manchester City.
- Gidman, Aston Villa full-back.
- Phil B-ye- of Southampton.
- Type of lighting which might be used at the ground.
- Perception or understanding.
- Do--a-t-r Rov-r. Pictures formed from the missing letters.
- Brian L-t-le of Aston Villa.
- Stadium, home of Cambridge United.
- Number of goals Liverpool scored (v. Newcastle) in the 1973/4 F.A. Cup Final.
- Don —, Queens Park Rangers midfielder.
- Hard white substance made from the omissions in C-ent- C-ty.
- Press earnestly or spur on.
- For T.V. matches are often recorded on the Video kind.
- Lincoln City are nicknamed The — Imps.
- Another word for a team.
- Latchford, Everton striker.
- H-ilton Scottish club from Douglas Park.

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- 1966 Man. Utd. 5, Benfica 1..... 200ft
- 1963 Milan 2, Benfica 1..... 200ft
- 1960 R. Madrid 2, Eintracht 3..... 200ft/400ft

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS

- 1963 Spurs 5, At. Madrid 1..... 200ft
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FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP

- * 1976 Man. City 2, Newcastle 1..... 200ft
- * 1975 Aston Villa 1, Norwich 0..... 100ft
- * 1974 Wolves 2, Man. City 1..... 100ft
- 1973 Spurs 1, Norwich 0..... 100ft
- 1972 Stoke 2, Chelsea 1..... 200ft
- 1971 Spurs 2, Aston Villa 0..... 50ft
- 1967 Q.P.R. 3, W.B.A. 2..... 200ft

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1968 Newcastle 3, Man. City 4..... 200ft

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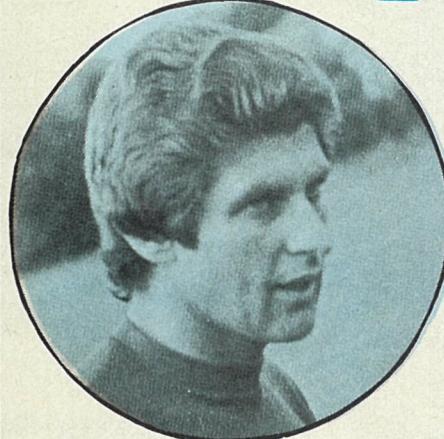
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RECORD VICTORY:
9-2 v Tranmere Rovers,
Division Three, December 3rd, 1960.

RECORD DEFEAT:
1-8 v Mansfield Town, Division Three,
March 15th, 1965 and 1-8 v Manchester United, Division One, March 19th, 1969.

MOST LEAGUE POINTS IN A SEASON:
67 in Division Three, 1966-67.

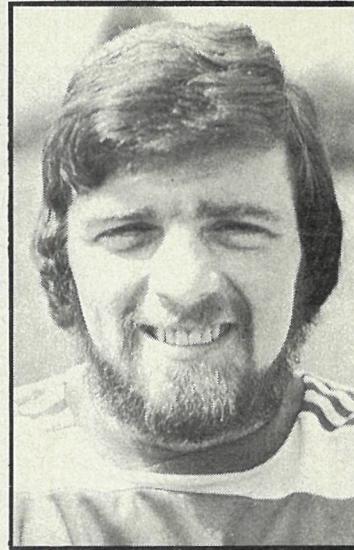
HIGHEST LEAGUE SCORER IN A SEASON:
George Goddard 37 in Division Three (South), 1929-30.

Stan Bowles beats Aston Villa's Ken McNaught to the ball.

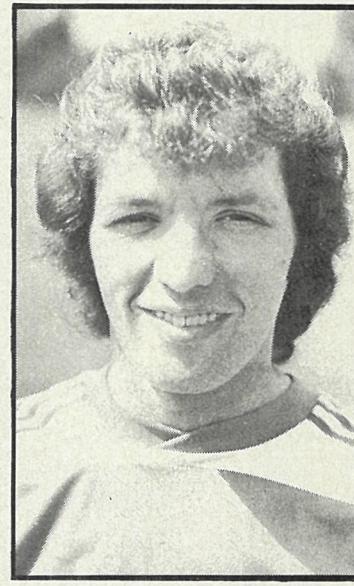
RANGERS' Frank Sibley is one of the latest breed of managers who have been promoted from within the ranks of a club, and Mike Keen and John Collins, both former Rangers players, have joined the coaching staff.

Our pen-picture of Frank tells his story and the Rangers directors' confidence in him has been justified by his actions since his appointment.

In the short time since he took over, he has signed Brian Williams from Bury (£70,000), while the £200,000 sale of Thomas has also left money in the kitty to buy the extra striker Rangers require.



BRIAN WILLIAMS



DAVE NEEDHAM

Frank joined Rangers as a 14-year-old schoolboy in 1962 and soon became the youngest ever player to appear in the reserve team. He was an ever-present in the League side that won promotion to Division Two and the Football League Cup in the 1966-67 season.

Frank skippered the England Youth team in 1965-66 in Yugoslavia and was a member of the England Under-23 team touring Greece, Turkey and Bulgaria in the 1967-68 season. A knee injury ended his playing career in 1972.

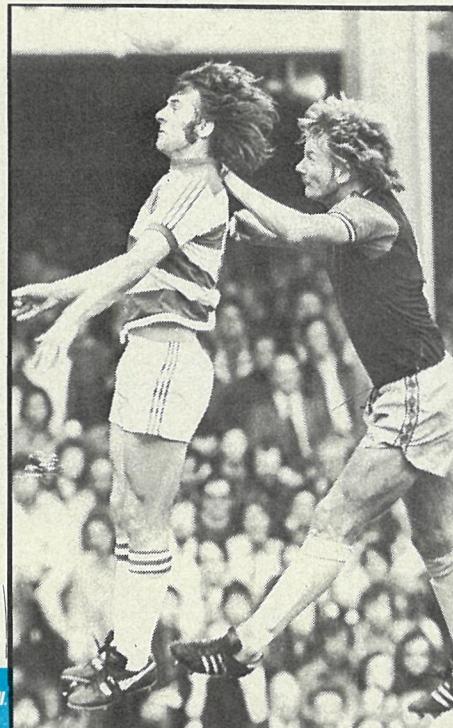
He's a fully-qualified F.A. coach. After holding the position of club coach he was appointed assistant-manager in October, 1974 and took over as team-manager after Dave Sexton's resignation.

HOW TO GET TO THE RANGERS GROUND

By Underground to White City (Central Line) and Shepherd's Bush (Metropolitan and Central Line). By Bus 12 and 207. Nos. 11, 49, 72, 88, 105 and 220 go near the ground.

IF YOU TRAVEL BY CAR

No club car park, but the White City car-park is adjacent to the ground. Limited parking in side-streets.



THE RANGERS RECORD SINCE 1960-61

(C—League Champions; P—Promoted; R—Relegated; W—Winners; F—Finalists; S/F—Semi-Finalists; Q/F—Quarter-Finalists.)

SEASON	LEAGUE Division & Placing	F.A. CUP Round Reached	LEAGUE CUP Round Reached
1960-61	3-3rd	2nd	1st
1961-62	3-4th	3rd	2nd
1962-63	3-13th	3rd	2nd
1963-64	3-15th	3rd	1st
1964-65	3-14th	2nd	2nd
1965-66	3-3rd	3rd	1st
1966-67	3-1st(P)	3rd	W
1967-68	2-2nd(P)	3rd	4th
1968-69	1-22nd(R)	3rd	2nd
1969-70	2-9th	Q/F	Q/F
1970-71	2-10th	3rd	3rd
1971-72	2-4th	3rd	4th
1972-73	2-2nd(P)	5th	2nd
1973-74	1-8th	Q/F	4th
1974-75	1-11th	5th	3rd
1975-76	1-2nd	3rd	4th
1976-77	1-14th	4th	S/F

(Rangers reached the Quarter-Finals of the U.E.F.A. Cup in 1976-77.)

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QUEENS PARK



RANGERS

BACK ROW (left to right): Steve Perkins, Don Shanks, Steve Jones, Tommy Cunningham, Phil Nutt, Ron Abbott, Tony Martin.

CENTRE ROW: Ian Gillard, David Webb, Dave Needham, Derek Richardson, Phil Parkes, Dave Clement, Brian Williams, Mick Leach.

FRONT ROW: Don Givens, John Hollins, Dave Thomas (now Everton), Don Masson, Gerry Francis, Stan Bowles, Peter Eastoe.



continued

PEN-PICTURES

(L. App.—League Appearances; G.—Goals; S.—Substitutes: All records to end of the 1976-77 season)

RON ABBOTT: Back-four player who progressed through the Youth team to sign professional in July, 1971. Born London. Ht. 6.1. Wt. 11.0 L.App.—24 and 10 sub. G.—3.

STAN BOWLES: One of the most entertaining players in the Football League. Striker now with his fifth club when Rangers paid Carlisle £110,000 for him in September, 1972. Five full England caps. Born Manchester. Ht. 5.11. Wt. 11.4. L.App.—Manchester City 15 and 2 sub, Bury 5, Crewe 51, Carlisle 33, Q.P.R. 169. G.—Man. City 2, Crewe 18, Carlisle 12, Q.P.R. 61.

DAVE CLEMENT: Defender who well deserves his testimonial this season having signed professional for Rangers in July, 1965. Five full England caps. Born London. Ht. 6.0. Wt. 11.5. L.App.—345 and 3 sub. G.—21.

TOM CUNNINGHAM: Midfielder who joined Rangers from Chelsea as an apprentice and signed professional in May, 1975. Born London. Ht. 6.0. Wt. 11.3. L.App.—3 and 2 sub.

PETER EASTOE: Striker who began his career with Wolves before moving to Swindon. Joined Rangers in March, 1976 for £80,000. Born Tamworth. Ht. 5.10. Wt. 11.3. L.App.: Wolves 4 and 2 sub, Swindon 91, Q.P.R. 24 and 3 sub. G.—Swindon 43, Q.P.R. 6.

GERRY FRANCIS: Club skipper and talented midfielder who missed most of last season through injury. He was sorely missed both by his club and by England. An England Under-23 international and has 12 full caps. Born London. Ht. 5.9. Wt. 10.8. L.App.—246 and 5 sub. G.—49.

IAN GILLARD: Defender who joined the club from school and signed professional in October, 1968. An Under-23 international who has three full England caps. Born London. Ht. 6.0½. Wt. 12.0. L.App.—211 and 3 sub. G.—4.

DON GIVENS: Striker and the highest scorer ever for the Republic of Ireland. Signed from Luton Town in July, 1972 for £40,000. 37 full caps. Born Dublin. Ht. 6.0. Wt. 11.1. L.App.—Man. Utd 4 and 4 sub, Luton 80 and 3 sub, Q.P.R. 205. G.—Man Utd 1, Luton 19, Q.P.R. 72.

JOHN HOLLINS: Experienced midfielder signed from Chelsea in July, 1975 for £80,000. An England Under-23 international



ABOVE . . . Rangers skipper Gerry Francis scores against AEK of Athens in last season's U.E.F.A. Cup Quarter-Finals.
BELOW . . . The evergreen David Webb.



and one full cap v Spain in 1967. Born Guildford. Ht. 5.8. Wt. 11.7. L.App.—Chelsea 436, Q.P.R. 68 and 2 sub. G.—Chelsea 47, Q.P.R. 3.

MICK LEACH: Rangers' longest serving player and versatile star who mainly appears now in midfield. Signed professional in February, 1964. Born London. Ht. 5.11. Wt. 12.0. L.App.—285 and 21 sub. G.—61.

DON MASSON: Scottish midfielder signed from Notts County for £100,000 in December, 1974. Eleven full Scottish caps. Born Banchory. Ht. 5.8. Wt. 10.12. L.App.—Middlesbrough 51 and 3 sub, Notts Co 278, Q.P.R. 104. G.—Middlesbrough 6, Notts Co 81, Q.P.R. 15.

DAVID NEEDHAM: Central defender who had been the longest serving Notts County player until he signed for Rangers at £90,000 in July, 1977. Born Leicester. Ht. 6.1. Wt. 12.7. L.App.—Notts County 428 and 1 sub. G.—Notts County 32.

PHIL PARKES: Goalkeeper with a pair of the safest hands in the game. Signed from Walsall for £15,000 in June, 1970. An England Under-23 international with one full cap. Born Sedgeley. Ht. 6.1. Wt. 14.0. L.App.—Walsall 52, Q.P.R. 289.

DON SHANKS: Defender signed from Luton Town in November, 1974 for £30,000. Born London. Ht. 5.10. Wt. 10.8. L.App.—89 and 1 sub, Q.P.R. 20 and 4 sub. G.—Luton 2.

DAVID WEBB: Defender who became the hero of all Chelsea fans when he scored the winning goal in the F.A. Cup Final replay with Leeds in 1970. Signed for Rangers in June, 1974 for £90,000. Ht. 5.10½. Wt. 12.11. L. App.—Orient 62, Southampton 75, Chelsea 230, Q.P.R. 109. G.—Orient 3, Southampton 2, Chelsea 21, Q.P.R. 7.

BRIAN WILLIAMS: Midfielder signed in July, 1977 from Bury for £70,000. Born Manchester. Ht. 5.10. Wt. 10.13. L. App.—Bury 148 and 11 sub. G.—Bury 19.



TOP LEAGUE SCORERS

1972-73	Don Givens	23
1973-74	Stan Bowles	19
1974-75	Don Givens	16
1975-76	Don Givens	13
1976-77	Don Givens	10



DON GIVENS

LEAGUE FIXTURES

Date	Opponents	Ground
Aug.		
20	Aston Villa	H
23	Wolverhampton W.	A
27	Norwich C.	A
Sept.		
3	Leicester C.	H
10	West Ham	A
17	Manchester C.	H
24	Chelsea	H
Oct.		
1	Bristol C.	A
4	Birmingham C.	A
8	Everton	H
15	Arsenal	A
22	Nottingham F.	H
29	West Bromwich	H
Nov.		
5	Middlesbrough	A
8	Liverpool	H
19	Coventry C.	A
26	Manchester Utd	H
Dec.		
3	Leeds U.	A
10	Newcastle U.	H
17	Liverpool	A
26	Derby Co.	H
27	Ipswich T.	A
31	Wolverhampton W.	H
1978		
Jan.		
2	Aston Villa	A
14	Norwich C.	H
21	Leicester C.	A
Feb.		
4	West Ham	H
11	Manchester C.	A
18	Chelsea	A
25	Bristol C.	H
Mar.		
4	Everton	A
11	Arsenal	H
18	Nottingham F.	A
22	West Bromwich	A
25	Ipswich T.	H
27	Derby Co.	A
Apr.		
1	Middlesbrough	H
8	Manchester U.	A
15	Coventry C.	H
22	Newcastle U.	A
25	Birmingham C.	H
29	Leeds U.	H

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FOOTBALL FUNNIES



"I want you to float the ball into the open space here"



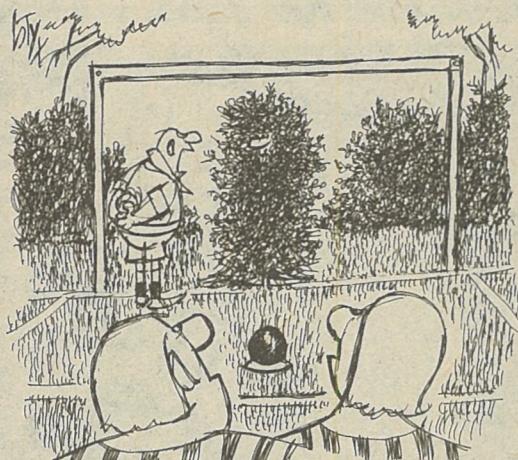
"I'm getting fed-up the way their left-back keeps tugging at my sleeve"



"We'll never get promotion, mate — not while that bloke is our player-manager"



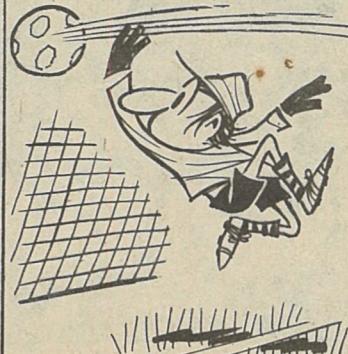
"I said — OFF — pointed my finger — and he bit it"



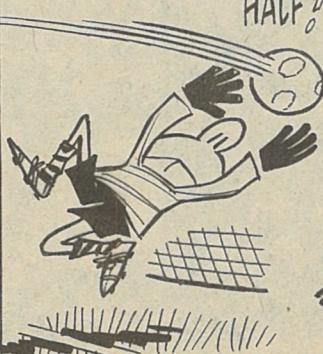
"What do you mean? Camouflage!"

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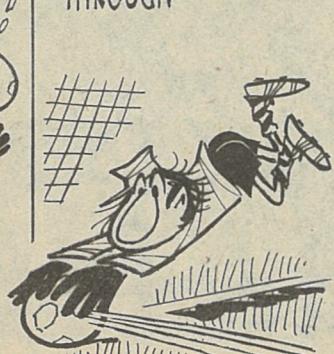
WE WERE SIX DOWN AT HALF TIME!



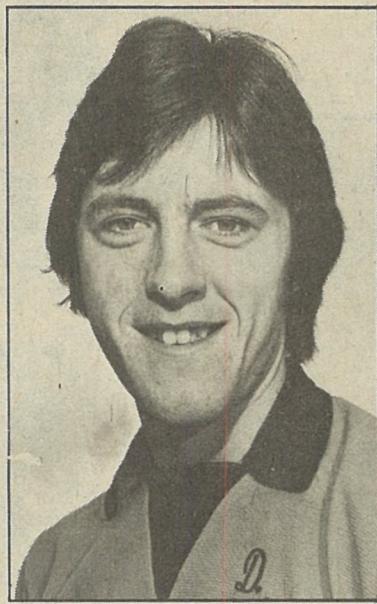
AND THEY SCORED SIX MORE IN THE SECOND HALF!



GLAD I DIDN'T LET ANOTHER ONE THROUGH

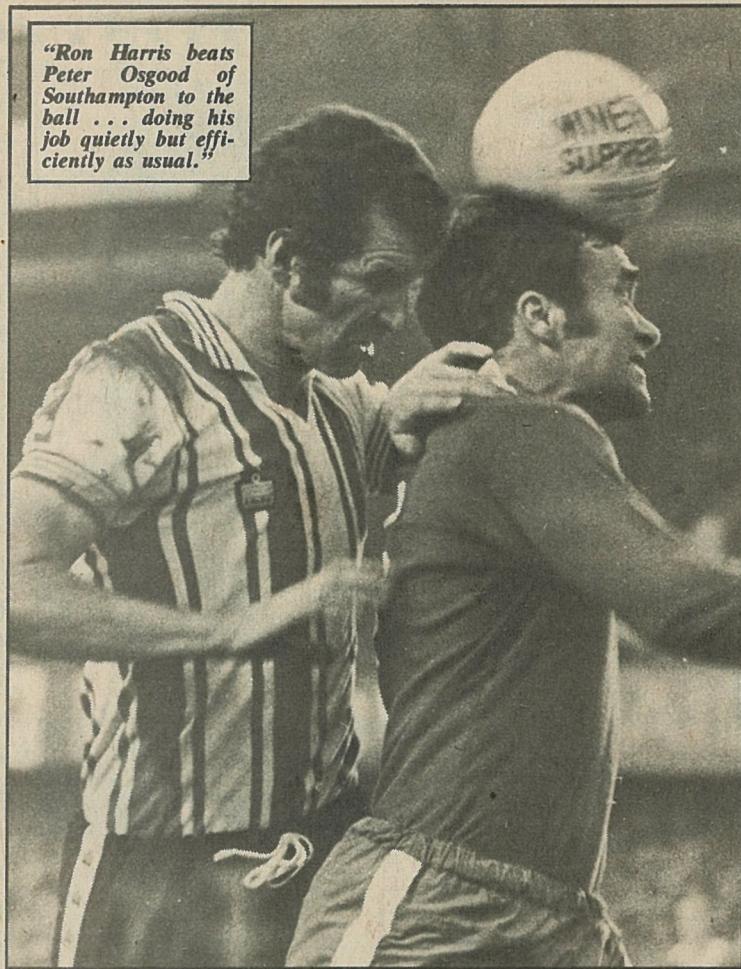


THIRTEEN IS SUPPOSED TO BE UNLUCKY



This week Dundee United defender DAVID NAREY selects the jokes specially drawn by our cartoonist Styx.

"Ron Harris beats Peter Osgood of Southampton to the ball . . . doing his job quietly but efficiently as usual."



PEOPLE tend to write off players when they reach the wrong side of 30, but 1977 will surely go down as the year that proved this theory wrong once and for all.

The recall of Ian Callaghan to the England scene came as no surprise to me. Even at 35, Cally is as fit as ever and experience has made him one of the most accomplished professionals around.

We played Liverpool shortly before Ron Greenwood announced Ian's comeback. Cally had a superb game — as usual — and I remarked to Ray Clemence after the League Cup-tie how good Ian was looking. Ray told me he's like that every week!

I read in the programme Ian had played more than 800 matches for Liverpool, an incredible record as nearly all of them have been at the very highest level.

Ian has always looked after himself, he's level headed and his dedication to the game is a fine example to any would-be professional . . . or even those already in the sport.

I wonder how many players of my generation will match Ian's 800? Certainly it won't be easy and it's difficult to predict what our soccer will be like in, say, 12 years.

I can't see the game being any more competitive than it is now. If it does change, perhaps we could see a more European style slowly but surely coming in and this less physical approach would help longer careers.

At Chelsea we have three "senior

professionals" who have not lost any of their appetite for football.

I refer to Ron Harris, Peter Bonetti and Charlie Cooke. Ron is 32, Peter has just turned 36 while Charlie is 34, but these three players have played a vital part in our road back to Division One.

Ron and Peter were superb throughout 1976/77, while Charlie came back into the side when the pressure was really on and his calming influence was a decisive factor.

Charlie steadied our midfield and his experience was probably the final piece in our promotion jigsaw.

I can just about remember Charlie from his first spell with Chelsea. He was an instant hit following his transfer from Dundee in 1966 and his mazy dribbles delighted the Stamford Bridge regulars. I was only ten at the time, so my memory is somewhat confused!

Charlie is a quiet sort of person off the field who likes to read a lot — and I don't mean thrillers. He'll often be found with a "heavy" book in his travelling case!

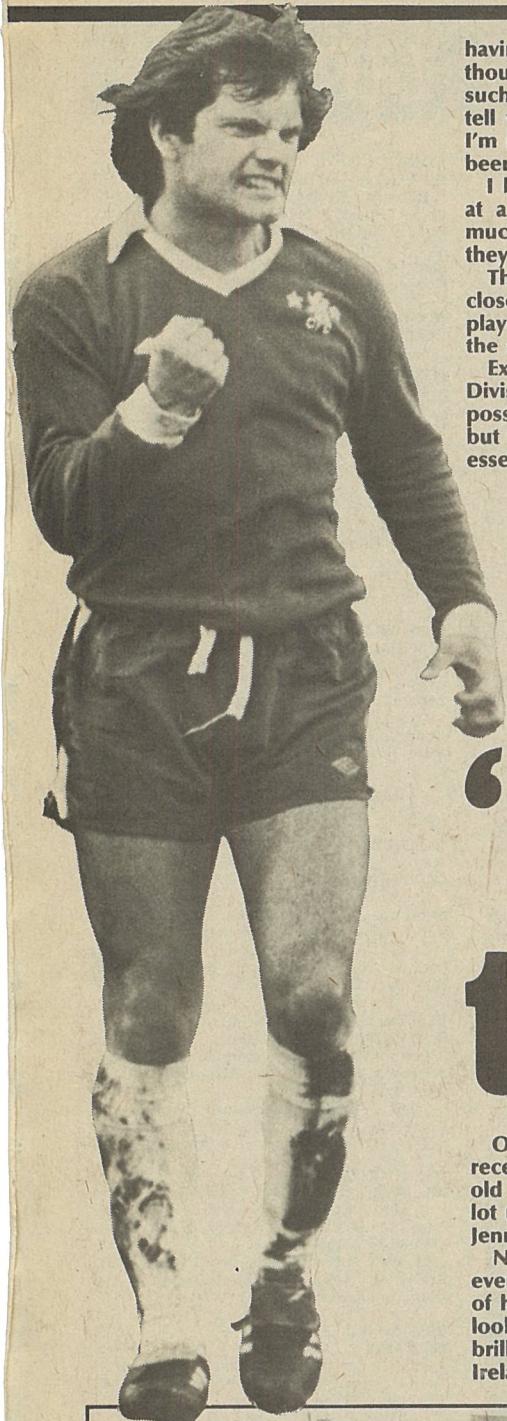
Peter Bonetti has become one of the all-time great Chelsea players with a string of records to his credit. He's still one of the best goalkeepers in Division One and only the form of John Phillips has kept The Cat out of the first team this season.

Ron gets on with his job at the back without any fuss, preferring to let his soccer do the talking.

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having a teenager as skipper. I thought they might not respect such a young player, but you can tell when players respect you and I'm happy to say there have never been any problems.

I believe the older professionals at a club set an example not so much by what they say, but by what they do.

Their attitude towards training is closely watched by the younger players, who are influenced by how the seniors go about their work.

Experience is vital in the First Division. In the Second, you can possibly get away with a young side, but "up top" a few "old hands" are essential.

**RAY
WILKINS**
writes for you

Moving from Spurs to Arsenal isn't easy because the intense rivalry between the clubs can make it hard for players making the switch.

Yet such is the stature of Pat he could walk into just about ANY team and be accepted immediately. He's that sort of player.

Goalkeepers sometimes reach their peak later than outfield stars. I think 'keepers fall into two categories: those who put on weight early and those — like Peter and Pat — who look after themselves.

It can be easy for a goalie to put on a few pounds because he doesn't have such a strenuous job as, say, a midfielder.

They have to be very careful about their shape, but if they work hard they can have longer careers than others. Alex Stepney won an F.A. Cup winners' medal with Manchester United in May — aged 35.

Johnny Giles did a marvellous job both on and off the field for West Brom in his two years at The Hawthorns.

you consider he's 36. But again, age doesn't come into it . . . Johnny was still playing to the top of his form when he left West Brom.

Two examples of famous internationals stepping down a Division are Alan Ball and Billy Bremner.

I think Ballie will lead Southampton back to the First Division this season. He'll be a great influence on the side, especially England Under-21 midfield star Steve Williams, who will surely benefit from playing alongside the former England captain.

Big Boost

Billy seems to be making his presence felt at Hull in his first full season and The Tigers' early results have been favourable. It must have been a big boost for the Humber-side club when Billy signed for them.

Perhaps the best "fairy story" of '77 is Tommy Smith's vital goal for Liverpool in the European Cup Final

'Don't write off the over-30's'

Our London neighbours, Arsenal, recently paid £60,000 for a 32-year-old goalkeeper, which may seem a lot until you see that 'keeper is Pat Jennings.

Nobody in their right mind would even suggest Pat was near the end of his career and The Gunners can look forward to quite a few years of brilliant saves from the Northern Ireland star.

thorns before deciding to quit the Football League for Shamrock Rovers.

He reached near-perfection with his passing and organisation and I am flattered I have been compared with the Irish star . . . I consider it an honour.

It was reported Tony Book wanted Johnny to join Manchester City this season — incredible when

against Borussia Mönchengladbach.

Tommy has never been the fans' favourite player, but he's a good professional who does a first-class job for Liverpool.

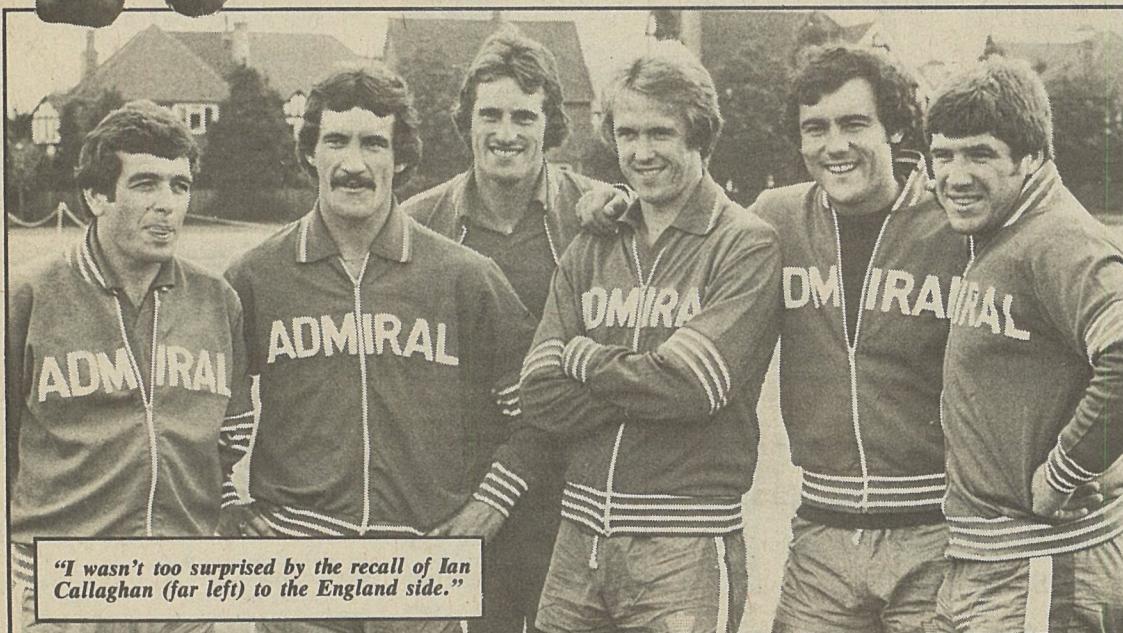
He may not be fast, but experience has taught him to "play with his head" and his reading of the game is excellent. Slow or not, you don't see Tommy taken to the cleaners very often, do you?

Our opponents this Saturday (September 24th) are Q.P.R. and we make the short trip to Loftus Road.

I hope it's fourth time lucky for me. If my memory serves me correctly, I've played against Rangers three times before, losing twice and drawing the other.

They made a slow start to the season, yet they have too many outstanding players to struggle for long.

See you again in a fortnight,



"I wasn't too surprised by the recall of Ian Callaghan (far left) to the England side."

Tommy Smith

RESULTS . . . SCORERS . . . TEAM LINE-UPS

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 24

FIRST DIVISION

(continued)

CHELSEA (1) 2 (Stanley, Lewington)
BIRMINGHAM (0) 18,008
 Chelsea: Phillips; Locke, Sparrow, Stanley, Wicks, Harris, Britton, Wilkins (R), Finnieston, Lewington, Langley.
 Birmingham: Montgomery; Calderwood, Pendrey, Towers, Howard, Want, Jones, Francis, Bertschin, Hibbit, Connolly.

DERBY 0
IPSWICH 0 19,809
 Derby: Boulton; Langan, Nish (Webster), Daly, McFarland, Todd, O'Riordan, Gemmill, Hales, Hector, Hughes.
 Ipswich: Cooper; Burley, Tibbott, Talbot, Hunter, Beattie, Osborne, Gates, Mariner, Geddis, Woods.

LEEDS (0) 2 (Jordan, McQueen)
W.B.A. (0) 2 (Cross 2) 21,000
 Leeds: Stewart; Reaney, Cherry, Lorimer, McQueen, Madeley, Gray (E), McNiven, Jordan, Currie, Graham.
 W.B.A.: Godden; Mulligan, Statham, Brown (T), Wile, Robertson, Cantello, Cunningham, Cross, Robson, Johnston.

LEICESTER (0) 1 (Kember)
WEST HAM (0) 0 18,310
 Leicester: Wallington; Whitworth, Rofe, Kember, Sims (Blockley), Woollett, Alderson, Samsells, Worthington, Kelly, Weller.
 West Ham: Day; Brush, Lampard, Pike, Taylor (T), Lock, Taylor (A), Robson (B), Radford, Curbishley, Devonshire (Otulakowski).

MAN. UTD (1) 2 (Hill pen., McCreery)
COVENTRY (1) 1 (Wallace) 55,726
 Man. U: Stepeny; Nicholl, Albiston, McIlroy, Greenhoff (B), Buchan, Coppell, McCreery, Pearson, Macari, Hill.
 Coventry: Blyth; Oakey, McDonald, Yorath, Holton, Coop, Graydon, Wallace, Ferguson, Powell, Hutchison.

NORWICH (1) 1 (Gibbins)
MIDDLESBROUGH (1) 1 (Souness) 15,102
 Norwich: Keelan; Ryan, Sullivan, Evans, Jones, Powell, Neighbour, Reeves, Busby, Suggett, Gibbins.

Middlesbrough: Platt; Craggs, Cooper, Souness (Hickton), Boam, Maddren, Mahoney, Mills, Woof, McAndrew, Armstrong.

SECOND DIVISION

BLACKBURN 0
TOTTENHAM 0 9,540
 Blackburn: Bradshaw; Curtis, Bailey, Metcalfe, Fazackerley, Hawkins, Brotherton, Hird, Lewis, Parkes, Taylor.

Tottenham: Daines; Naylor, Holmes, Coates, Osgood, Perryman, Pratt, McNab, Duncan, Jones, Taylor.

STOKE (0) 1 (Crooks)
SOUTHAMPTON (0) 0 13,867
 Stoke: Shilton; Marsh, Lindsay, Kendall, Smith, Dodd, Goodwin, Richardson, Gregory, Waddington, Crooks.
 Southampton: Turner, Andruszewski, Peach, Wills, Nicholl, Pickering, Ball, Boyer, Osgood, Holmes, MacDougall.

THIRD DIVISION

LINCOLN (1) 2 (Ward 2)
WALSALL (2) 2 (Buckley pen., Evans) 3,723
 Lincoln: Grotier; Guest (Hubbard), Leigh, Booth, Smith, Cooper, Fleming, Ward, Graham, Crombie, Harding.
 Walsall: Kearns; Taylor, Caswell, Hynd, Serella, Newton, Shelton, Bates, Evans, Buckley, Birch.

FOURTH DIVISION

ALDERSHOT (0) 2 (Dixon, Needham)
STOCKPORT (0) 1 (Summerbee) 2,190
 Aldershot: Johnson; Howitt, Wooler, Dixon, Youlden, Jopling, Crosby, Brodie, Needham, Dungworth (Hooper), McGregor.
 Stockport: Rogan; Lawler, Rutter, Fogarty, Loadwick, Thompson, Summerbee, Holford, Fletcher, Prudham (Jackson), Massey.

LEAGUE CUP (First Round Replay)

CARDIFF (0) 2 (Sayer pen., Buchanan)
TORQUAY (1) 1 (Lawrence) 1,711
 Cardiff: Irwin; Attley, Pontin, Buchanan, Went, Larmour, Grapes, Campbell, Dwyer, Sayer, Giles.
 Torquay: Lee (T); Twitchin, Darke, Vassallo, Green, Boulton, Rudge, Lee (C), Lawrence, Brown, Raper (Keefe).

SCOTTISH LEAGUE CUP

(First Round, second-leg)

AIRDRIE (0) 0
ABERDEEN (0) 2 (McMaster 2) 2,500
 Aberdeen: Clark; Kennedy, McLellan, Shirra, Garner, Miller, Sullivan, Jarvie, Harper, Fleming, McMaster.

DUNDEE (1) 1 (Pirie)
MONTRÉO (0) 0 3,653

EAST FIFE (0) 0
CLYDEBANK (0) 1 (Houston) 545
 Clydebank: King, Hall, Callaghan, Fallon, McLaughlin, Houston, O'Brien, McColl, Larnach, McCallan, Lumsden.

QoS 0
HIBS 0 3,000
 Hibs: McDonald; McNamara, Schaeffer, Brazil, Stewart, Blackley, Smith (Duncan), Bremner, Rae (Higgins), McLeod, Scott.

STRANRAER (0) 3 (Muir, Frye 2)
ALLOA (0) 0 800
 (Second Round, first-leg)

RANGERS (1) 3 (Johnstone 2, Miller pen.)
ST. JOHNSTONE (1) 1 (Brogan) 5,000
 Rangers: McCloy; Jardine, Miller, Forsyth, Jackson, Watson, Mackay, Russell, Johnstone, Smith, Cooper.

FRIDAY, AUG. 26

THIRD DIVISION

LINCOLN (1) 1 (Ward)
SHREWSBURY (1) 3 (Maguire, Fleming o.g., Irvine) 4,714
 Lincoln: Grotier; Leigh, Crombie, Booth, Smith, Cooper, Hubbard, Ward, Graham (Cockerill), Fleming, Harding.
 Shrewsbury: Mulhearn; Leonard, Roberts, Turner, Atkins, Griffin, Nixon (Irvine), Hornsby, Bates, Lindsay, Maguire.

FOURTH DIVISION

SCUNTHORPE 0
BOURNEMOUTH 0 4,110
 Scunthorpe: Crawford; Czuczman, Peacock, Pilling, Money, Bridges, Oates, Kilmore, Keeley, Lumby, Heron.
 Bournemouth: Baker; Cunningham, Butler, Benson, Impey, Barton, Johnson, Showers, Howarth, Riley, Miller.

SOUTHEND (1) 1 (Goodwin)
CREWE (0) 0 4,389
 Southend: Freeman; Moody, Banks, Laverick, Townsend, Young, Morris, Goodwin, Parker, Polycarpou (Hadley), Foggon.
 Crewe: Crudginton; Purdie, Collier, Rimmer, Bowles, Bevan (Cheetham), Davies (D), Bettis, Coyne, Spence, McGinley.

STOCKPORT (1) 2 (Thompson, Massey)
GRIMSBY (0) 0 3,054
 Stockport: Rogan; Lawler, Rutter, Thompson, Loadwick, Fogarty, Summerbee, Halford, Park, Prudham, Massey.

Grimsby: Wainman; Cooper, Moore, Waters, Barker, Partridge, Brolly, Liddell, Drinkell, Donovan, Boylen.

SATURDAY, AUG. 27

FIRST DIVISION

ASTON VILLA (1) 1 (Gray)
EVERTON (0) 2 (McKenzie 2) 37,806

Villa: Rimmer; Gregory, Smith, Phillips, McNaught, Mortimer, Deehan, Little, Gray (Cowans), Cropley, Carrodus.

Everton: Wood; Darracott, Pejic, Lyons, Higgins, Rioch, King, Pearson, Latchford, McKenzie, Thomas.

CHELSEA (0) 1 (Langley)

COVENTRY (2) 2 (Powell, Wallace) 25,432

Chelsea: Phillips; Locke, Sparrow, Stanley, Wicks, Harris, Britton, Wilkins (R), Finnieston, Lewington, Langley.

Coventry: Blyth; Oakey, McDonald, Yorath, Holton, Coop, Graydon, Wallace, Ferguson, Powell, Hutchison.

LEEDS (0) 1 (Hankin)

BIRMINGHAM (0) 0 24,551

Leeds: Stewart; Reaney, Cherry, Lorimer, McQueen, Madeley, Gray (F), Hankin, Jordan, Currie, Graham.

Birmingham: Montgomery; Calderwood, Pendrey, Howard, Towers, Want, Jones, Francis, Bertschin, Hibbit, Connolly (Styles).

LEICESTER 0

BRISTOL C 0 17,011

Leicester: Wallington; Whitworth, Rofe, Kember, Sims, Woollett, Alderson, Sammels, Worthington, Kelly, Weller.

Bristol: Shaw; Sweeney, Merrick, Gow, Collier, Hunter, Tainton, Ritchie, Mabbutt, Cormack, Whitehead.

LIVERPOOL (1) 3 (Dalglish, Heighway, Case)

W.B.A. (0) 0 48,525

Liverpool: Clemence; Neal, Jones, Smith, Kennedy, Hughes, Dalglish, Case, Heighway, McDermott, Callaghan.

W.B.A.: Godden; Mulligan, Statham, Brown (T), Wile, Robertson, Cantello, Cunningham, Cross (Martin), Robson, Johnston.

MAN. UTD 0

IPSWICH 0 57,904

Man. U: Stepney; Nicholl, Albiston, McIlroy (Grimes), Greenhoff (B), Buchan, McGrath, McCreery, Coppell, Macari, Hill.

Ipswich: Cooper; Burley, Tibbott, Talbot, Hunter, Beattie, Osborne (Turner), Gates, Mariner, Geddis, Woods.

MIDDLESBROUGH (1) 2 (Armstrong 2)

NEWCASTLE (0) 0 27,000

Middlesbrough: Platt; Crags, Cooper, Mahoney, Boam, Maddren, Brine, Mills, Woof, McAndrew, Armstrong.

Newcastle: Hardwick; Nattrass (Blackhall), Kennedy, Cassidy, McCaffrey, Bird, Barrowclough, Oates, Burns, Gowling, Craig (T).

CHARLTON (2) 3 (McEwan o.g., Flanagan 2)

BLACKPOOL (0) 1 (Walsh) 6,449

Charlton: Wood; Smith, Warman, Tydeman, Campbell, Berry, Powell, Abrahams (Gritt), Flanagan, Peacock, McAuley.

Blackpool: Hesford; Gardner, Harrison, McEwan, Suddaby, Hart, Tong, Ronson, Walsh, Hatton, Finnigan.

C. PALACE (0) 0

HULL (1) 1 (Hawley) 14,382

Palace: Burns; Hinshelwood (P), Sansom, Graham, Cannon, Hinshelwood, Evans, Hilaire (Swindlehurst), Chatterton, Perrin, Bourne, Harkouk.

Hull: Wealands; Nisbet, DeVries, Bremner, Croft, Roberts, Haigh, Lord, Hawley, Bannister, Galvin.

OLDHAM (0) 1 (Chapman)

LUTON (0) 0 7,579

Oldham: Ogden; Hoolickin, Holt, Bell, Edwards, Hurst, Valentine, Blair, Halom, Chapman, Groves.

Luton: Alekic; Price, Buckley, Carr, Faulkner, Fletcher (P), Husband, West, Hill, Fuccillo, Aston.

SOUTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Peach, pen.)

MANSFIELD (0) 0 15,981

Southampton: Turner; Andruszewski, Peach, Williams, Nicholl, Pickering, Ball, Holmes (Funnell), Osgood, Boyer, MacDougall.

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Mansfield: Arnold; Bird, Wood, McEwan, Mackenzie, Foster (C), Sharkey, Moss, Syrett, Hodgson, Miller (Randall).

STOKE (1) 2 (Lindsay pen., Crooks)

BURNLEY (0) 1 (Burke) 12,835
Stoke: Shilton; Marsh, Lindsay, Kendall, Smith, Dodd, Waddington, Richardson, Goodwin, Gregory, Crooks.

Burnley: Stevenson; Scott, Brennan, Noble, Rodaway, Robinson, Cochrane, Ingham, Smith (Burke), Flynn, Morley.

SUNDERLAND (0) 1 (Ahurst pen.)

ORIENT (1) 1 (Kitchen) 28,261
Sunderland: Siddall; Docherty, Bolton, Arnott, Waldron (Collins), Ashurst, Rostrom, Elliott, Rowell, Holden, Brown.

Orient: Jackson; Fisher, Roffey, Allen, Hoadley, Roeder, Chedzoe, Glover, Mayo, Kitchen, Bennett.

TOTTENHAM (1) 2 (Duncan 2)

NOTTS CO (0) 1 (Vinter) 25,839
Tottenham: Daines; Naylor, Holmes, Hodde, Osgood, Perryman, Pratt, McNab, Duncan, Jones, Taylor.

Notts Co: McManus; Richards (P), O'Brien, Busby, Chapman, Benjamin, Carter, Vinter, Sims, Smith, Richards (L).

THIRD DIVISION

BRADFORD C (0) 2 (Watson, Hutchins)

OXFORD (1) 3 (Jeffrey, Berry, Foley) 4,401
Bradford C: Downsborough; Podd, Spark, Martinez, Nicholls, Fretwell, Watson, Dolan, Cooke, Wright, Hutchins.

Oxford: Burton; Fogg, Drysdale, Bodel, Clarke, Jeffrey, Berry, Taylor, Foley, Seacole, Duncan.

CAMBRIDGE (1) 2 (Morgan, Finney)

GILLINGHAM (2) 3 (Hughes, Westwood) 23,397
Cambridge: Webster; Batson, Baldry, Stringer, Fallon, Howard, Watson, Spriggs, Morgan, Finney, Biley.

Gillingham: Hillyard; Williams, Armstrong, Overton, Shipperley, Hughes, Nicholl, Hunt, Richardson, Westwood, Crabbe.

CARLISLE 0

PLYMOUTH 0 4,853
Carlisle: Swinburne; Carr, McCartney, Tait, Macdonald, Parker, McVitie, Ludlam, Lathan, Rafferty, Martin.

Plymouth: Barron; Smart, Uzzell, Horswill, Foster, Craven, Delve, Johnson, Trusson, Hall, Rogers.

CHESTERFIELD (0) 2 (Cammack, Jones)

PETERBOROUGH (0) 0 4,690
Chesterfield: Ogrozovic; Tatt, Burton, Kowalski, Cottam, O'Neill, Jones, Cammack, Green, Parker, Heppelot.

Peterborough: Waugh; Hindley, Lee, Doyle, Turner, Ross, Slough, Oakes, Sargent, Carmichael, Robson.

COLCHESTER (0) 2 (Gough 2)

CHESTER (0) 0 4,169
Colchester: Walker; Cook, Williams, Leslie, Dowman, Packer, Garwood, Gough, Foggatt, Bunkell, Allinson.

Chester: Millington (Jones); Raynor, Walker, Delgado, Storton, Oakes, Mason, Edwards (L), Kearney, Burns, Jeffries.

EXETER (2) 2 (Hodge, Kellow)

BURY (0) 2 (Thomson, Entwistle) 5,236
Exeter: Baugh; Templeman, Hore, Weeks, Saxton, Hatch, Hodge (Robertson), Kellow, Bowker, Beer, Jennings.

Bury: Forrest; Keenan, Kennedy, Thomson, Tucker, Hatton, Woolfall, McIlwraith, Rowland, Entwistle, Robins.

HEREFORD (0) 0

TRANMERE (1) 1 (Allen) 4,062
Hereford: Hughes; Emery, Ritchie, Layton, Jefferson, Sheedy, Briley, Sinclair, Davey, McNeil, Proudlive (Spring).

Transmire: Johnson; Mathias, Flood, Parry, Philpotts, Palios, Peplow, Evans, Moore, Tynan, Allen.

PRESTON (3) 3 (Thomson, Doyle, Bruce)

ROTHERHAM (1) 2 (Finney 2) 5,964
Preston: Tunks; McMahon, Wilson, Doyle, Baxter, Cross, Burns, Brown, Thomson, Elwiss, Bruce.

Rotherham: McAlister; Forrest, Breckin, Rhodes, Stancliffe, Spencer, Finney, Phillips, Habbin (Womble), Goodfellow, Crawford.

SHEFF. WED 0

WALSALL 0 10,634
Sheff. W: Turner; Walden, Rushbury, Cusack, Dowd, Leman, Wylde (McKeown), Johnson, Tynan, Porterfield, Bradshaw.

Walsall: Kearns; Taylor, Caswell, Newton, Hynd, Serella, Shelton, Bates, Wood, Buckley, Birch.

SWINDON (1) 3 (Kamara, McHale, Moss)

PORTSMOUTH (1) 1 (Pollock) 9,396
Swindon: Allan; McLaughlin, Trollope, Stroud, Aizlewood, Propp, Moss, Kamara, Guthrie, McHale, Anderson.

Portsmouth: Middleton; Roberts, Wilson, Ellis, Foster, Cahill, Green, Kemp (Stokes), Gilchrist, Pollock, Mellow.

WREXHAM (1) 1 (Griffiths, pen.)

PORT VALE (1) 1 (Brownbill) 5,797
Wrexham: Niedzwiecki; Evans, Dwyer, Davis, Roberts, Thomas, Shinton, Sutton (Lee), Ashcroft, Cartwright, Griffiths.

Port Vale: Connaughton; McGifford, Harper, Ridley, Alcock, Bentley, Lamb, Brownbill, Beamish, Bailey (Cullerton), Hemmerman.

FOURTH DIVISION

ALDERSHOT (1) 1 (Dungworth)

DONCASTER (0) 0 3,128
Aldershot: Johnson; Howitt, Wooller, Dixon, Youlden, Jopling, Crosby, Brodie, Needham, Dungworth, McGregor.

Doncaster: Peacock; Olney (Bowden), Robinson, Laidlaw, Owen, Taylor, Miller, Jones (M), O'Callaghan, Jones (C), Bentley.

BRENTFORD (0) 1 (Sweetzer, pen.)

READING (0) 1 (Peters) 8,180
Brentford: Bond; Fraser, Shrub, Lloyd, Kruse, Smith, Walker, Graham, Sweetzer, McCulloch, Phillips.

Reading: Death; Peters, Lewis, Bowman, Hetzke, Moreline, Earles, Murray, Nelson, Bennett, Britten.

HALIFAX (0) 0

NORTHAMPTON (0) 1 (Bryant) 1,869
Halifax: Genoe; Flavell, Loska, Smith, Dunleavy, Bradley, Carroll, Lawson, Bullock, Bell, Horsfall.

Northampton: Garnham; Tucker, Bryant, Liddle, Robertson, Best, Farrington, Williams, Reilly, Haywood (McGowan), Christie.

NEWPORT (1) 2 (Woods, Walker (S))

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 0 3,367
Newport: Plumley; Byrne, Bell, Emanuel, Walker (R), Jones, Walker (S), Woods (Goddard), Clark, Relish, Preece.

Huddersfield: Starling; Brown, Baines, Hart, Sandercock, Gray, Howey, Johnson, Eccles, Butler, McCaffrey (Armstrong).

ROCHDALE (0) 2 (Seddon, Mountford)

DARLINGTON (0) 0 1,295
Rochdale: Poole; Hallows, O'Loughlin, Bole, Scott, Bannon, Melledew, Seddon, Mountford, Esser, Tarbuck.

Darlington: Burleigh; Nattress, Cochrane, Young, Craig, Hague, Wann, Rowles, Seal, Ferguson, Maitland.

SOUTHPORT (1) 1 (Ashworth)

HARTEPOOL (1) 1 (Goad) 1,624
Southport: Harrison; Higham, Snookes, O'Neil, Brooks, Fisher, Hilton (Cooper), Wilson, Ashworth, Jones, Gay.

Hartlepool: Edgar; Malone, Wiggett, Gibb, Ayre, Simpkin, McDermie, Downing, Goad, Poskett, Bielby.

SWANSEA (0) 2 (Curtis 2)

BARNES (0) 1 (Wigg) 6,739
Swansea: Barber; Evans, Bartley, Bruton, May, Davies, Chappell, Moore (K), Curtis, Moore (G) (Charles), James.

Barnsley: Springett; Murphy, Collins, Pugh, Saunders, McCarthy, Warnock (Wigg), Price, Peache, Collier, Little.

TORQUAY (1) 1 (Brown)

WIMBLEDON (0) 1 (Connell) 4,162
Torquay: Lee (T); Twitchin, Parsons, Vassallo, Green, Boulton, Rudge, Lee (C), Lawrence, Brown, Raper.

Wimbledon: Teale; Tilley, Bryant, Donaldson, Edwards, Bassett, Galliers (Leslie), Davies, Connell, Holmes, Aitken.

WATFORD (0) 1 (Mayes)

YORK (2) 3 (Pollard, Hope, Taylor) 7,743
Watford: Sherwood; Geidmints, Pritchett, Joslyn, Ellis, Garner, Bond (Downes), Jenkins, Mercer, Bolton, Mayes.

York: Neenan; Scott, Hutt, Topping, James, Hoy, Pollard, Holmes, Hope, Staniforth, Taylor.

SCOTTISH PREMIER

ABERDEEN 0

DUNDEE UTD 0 16,100
Aberdeen: Clark; Kennedy, McLellan, Shirra, Garner, Miller, Sullivan (Davidson), Jarvie, Harper, Fleming, McMaster.

Dundee U: McAlpine; Rolland, Koppel, Robinson (McAdam), Hegarty, Narey, Sturrock, Fleming, Wallace, Kirkwood, Addison.

CELTIC (0) 0

MOTHERWELL (0) 1 (Davidson) 29,000
Celtic: Latchford; McGrain, Kay, Casey, McDonald, Aitken, Glavin, Edvaldsson, Craig, Burns, Doyle.

Motherwell: Muir; Watson, Wark, McLaren, McVie (Miller), Millar, Stevens, Marinello (O'Neill), McAdam, Davidson, Purdie.

HIBS (2) 2 (Scott, Brazil)

CLYDEBANK (0) 0 6,750
Hibs: McDonald; McNamara, Schaeffer, Brazil, Stewart, Blackley, Smith, Bremner, Duncan, McLeod, Scott.

Clydebank: Gallacher; Hall, Callaghan (Hay), Fallon, McLaughlin, Houston, O'Brien, McColl, Larnach, McCallan, Lumsden (McCormick).

PARTICK (0) 0

RANGERS (1) 4 (Miller, pen., Smith 2, Russell) 18,000
Partick: Rough; Hansen (Anderson), Whitaker, Gibson, Campbell, Marr, Sheed, Melrose, Somner, Johnstone (Houston), Craig.

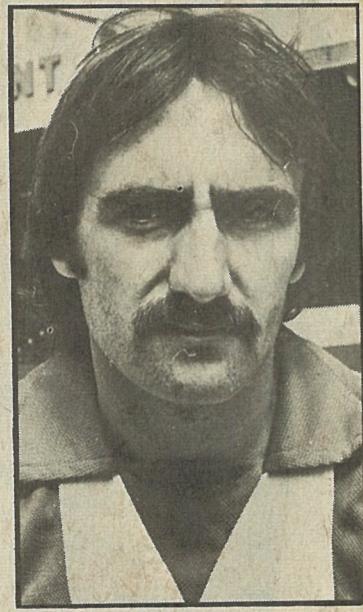
Rangers: McCloy; Jardine, Miller, Forsyth, Jackson, McDonald, McLean, Russell, Johnstone, Smith, Cooper.

ST MIRREN (1) 2 (Reid, McGarvey)

AYR (0) 0

St Mirren: Hunter; Young, Reid, Copland, Mowat, Fitzpatrick, Stark, Richardson, Docherty, McGarvey, Hislop.

Ayr: Sproat; Rodman, Fleming, McAnespie, Brogan, McSherry, Hannah, McCulloch, McCall, Masterton, Cramond.



Peter Kitchen gave Orient the lead v. Sunderland but the Rokerites equalised.

MONDAY, AUG. 29

LEAGUE CUP (Second Round)

BRISTOL C (1) 1 (Mabbatt)

STOKE (0) 0 11,877
Bristol C: Shaw; Sweeney, Merrick, Gow (Gillies), Collier, Hunter, Tainton, Ritchie, Mabbatt, Cormack, Whitehead.

Stoke: Shilton; Dodd, Marsh, Kendall, Smith, Bloor, Goodwin, Richardson, Gregory, Waddington, Crooks.

BRIGHTON 0
OLDHAM 0 20,218

Brighton: Steele; Tiler, Cattlin, Horton, Rollings, Lawrenson, Potts, Ward, Mellor (Fell), Piper, Ruggiero.

Oldham: Ogden; Hoolickin, Holt, Bell, Edwards, Hurst, Valentine, Blair, Halom, Chapman, Groves.

BURNLEY (2) 3 (Morley, Noble, Ingham)

NORWICH (0) 1 (Ryan pen.) 6,477

Burnley: Stevenson; Scott, Brennan, Burke, Robinson, Rodaway, Cochrane, Ingham, Noble, Flynn, Morley.

Norwich: Keelan; Ryan, Sullivan, Evans, Jones, Powell, Neighbour, Nightingale (Forbes), Downes, Suggett, Gibbins.

CHARLTON (0) 1 (Flanagan)

WREXHAM (0) 2 (Shinton, Smith o.g.) 8,288
Charlton: Wood; Berry, Warman, Campbell, Smith, Tydeman, Powell, Abrahams, Flanagan, Peacock, McAuley.

Wrexham: Niedzwiecki; Evans, Dwyer, Davis, Roberts, Thomas, Cartwright, Shinton, Lee (Cegielski), Sutton, Griffiths.

C. PALACE 0

SOUTHAMPTON 0 19,565
C. Palace: Burns; Hinshelwood (P), Sansom, Graham, Cannon, Evans, Swindhurst, Chatterton, Perrin, Bourne, Harkouk.

Southampton: Turner; Andruszewski, Peach, Williams, Waldron, Pickering, Ball, Boyer, Osgood, Funnel, MacDougall.

GRIMSBY (1) 1 (Donovan)

WATFORD (1) 2 (Bolton, Jenkins) 4,345
Grimsbys: Wainman; Cooper, Moore, Waters, Barker, Partridge, Brolly, Liddell, Drinkel (Ford), Donovan, Cumming.

Watford: Sherwood; Geidmints, Pritchett, Joslyn, Ellis, Garner, Downes, Mercer (Coffill), Jenkins, Bolton, Mayes.

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 0

COVENTRY (0) 2 (Wallace, Holton) 8,577
Huddersfield: Starling; Brown, Baines, Hart, Sandercock, Gray, Howey, Johnson, Eccles, Butler, McCaffrey.

Coventry: Blyth; Oakey, McDonald, Yorath, Holton, Coop, Graydon, Wallace, Ferguson, Powell, Hutchison.

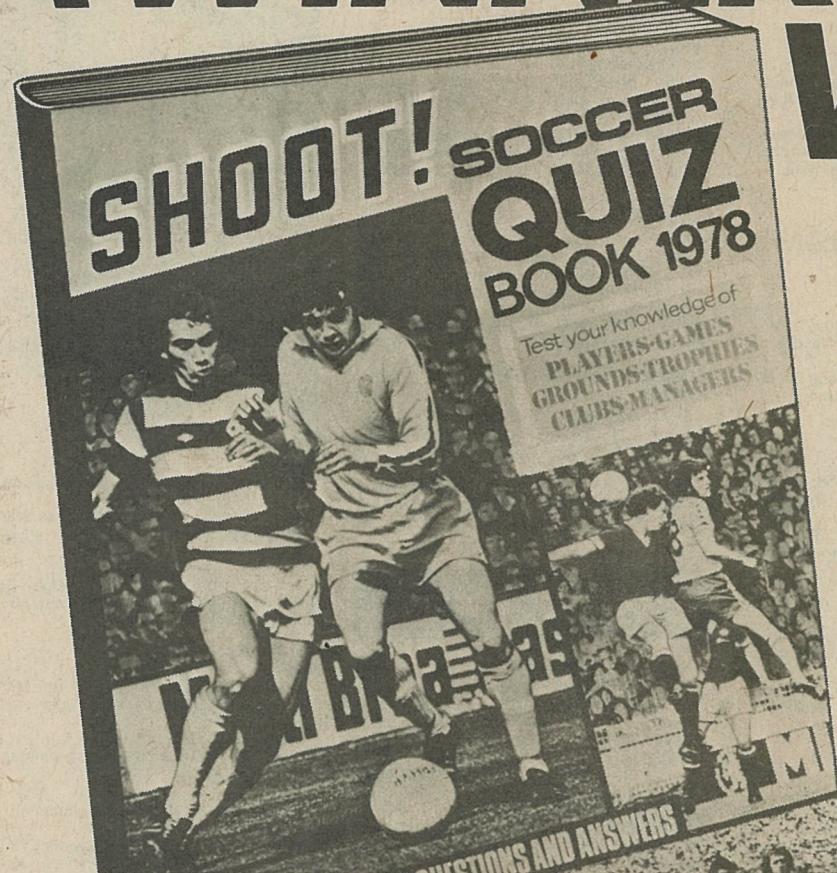
IPSWICH (2) 5 (Whymark 2 pens., Gates, Woods, Mariner)

NORTHAMPTON (0) 0 15,443
Ipswich: Cooper; Burley, Tibbott, Talbot, Hunter, Beattie (Lambert), Osborne, Gates, Mariner, Whymark, Woods.

Northampton: Garnham; Tucker, Bryant, Liddle, Robertson, Best, Farrington, Williams, Reilly, Martin (Mead), Christie.

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Gordon McQueen, King of his club's defence, says—

'I'M STAYING AT LEEDS FOR LIFE'

BIG GORDON, Leeds United's world-class Scottish international defender, readily acknowledges his debt to two famous names who helped him to take his first steps to stardom — Don Revie and Jack Charlton.

It was Revie, the then Leeds manager, who paid £30,000 to St Mirren five years ago this month for the fair-haired, inexperienced 6ft. 3in. 19-year-old part-timer.

"It's a bit of a gamble," Revie confided at the time, "but I think he'll make the grade in a few years. He has a lot to learn but he's mad keen and that's more than half the battle."

McQueen did better than Revie, trainer Les Cocker and the rest of the Elland Road backroom staff dared hope. He developed so rapidly the following March, on a wet and windy afternoon at Derby's muddy Baseball Ground, the starry-eyed defender was called up for a surprise League debut and he never really looked back.

Although his first senior game was marred by a rib injury which caused him to be substituted at half-time, the raw-boned youngster had made a very favourable impression.

Yet he was destined to face another spell in the reserves the following season — "I don't want to rush the lad at this crucial stage of his career," said Revie, who still had veteran Jack Charlton and the versatile Paul Madeley at his disposal.

McQueen soldiered on in the Central League team, happy to be part of a famous club while learning his trade.

Looking back five years and 15 Scottish caps later, McQueen admits the early weeks of the 1973-74 season were invaluable.

Sitting in his luxury home in the

fashionable Leeds suburb of Roundhay, fresh from his three-week honeymoon in the Seychelles with his wife Yvonne, McQueen explained: "That spell in our Central League side meant I played alongside Jack Charlton and that was a case of learning from the master.

"Until I joined Leeds I'd only seen Jack on the television and although it would be going too far to say he was my hero — Rangers' supporters don't idolise anyone who doesn't belong to Ibrox! — he was high on my list of top defenders.

"So it was magic to be in the same line-up. Although he was already 37, and rapidly coming to the end of his distinguished career, he was still a fine footballer.

"He was able to coach me through matches, passing on tips while the action was going on. We never played before more than a few hundred spectators so there wasn't the pressure you get at League games.

"Not that Jack wasn't a 100 per cent competitor. He used to hate being beaten and was always enthusiastic, something I've always been. So we had a lot in common — height, physique, determination and heading ability.

"One of my early difficulties was my positioning was poor — I couldn't read a game. Jack taught me a lot about that — so did Norman Hunter and Paul Madeley when I was feeling my way in the first team.

"I was incredibly lucky to be in the star-studded line-up that was Leeds in those days. Those lads were united in more than name, I can tell you. And Don Revie, whose name has been dragged through the mud recently, must take credit for that. He certainly put me on the right track for which I'm eternally grateful.

"But to get back to Jack Charlton. He was a great favourite with the younger players. Like Billy Bremner, who I think left us too early when Hull City moved in for him, Jack always found time to encourage us.

"There was none of the off-handedness which sometimes afflicts big superstars in their relations with youngsters. He was a great character and the sooner he's back in management the better for soccer."

While ever-willing to praise Big Jack's influence and guidance, McQueen insists one tip he didn't pick up from him is how to score goals.

"Jack did a lot for me," he smiles, "but my Malcolm Macdonald touch is natural!"

Set-piece Goals

McQueen, who cracked in eight goals last season, aims to improve on that this term. It's a habit he would like to become addicted to. Mind you, he has a long way to go before beating Charlton's 94 goals for Leeds — 16 so far (up to Sept. 10), "but I wasn't really trying until last season," he jokes.

Yet, of course, McQueen goals — mostly from set-pieces with his closest friend Joe Jordan either nodding the ball on to him or acting as decoy — are bonuses.

"First and foremost Gordon is our key defender, one of the best centre-halves in Europe," says manager Jimmy Armfield, who was relieved recently when McQueen signed a seven-year contract.

"I'm staying at Leeds for life," says Scotland's Supermac. "I've made my home in Leeds, most of my friends are here, my wife is a local lass, I'm earning good money, so there's nothing more I could get from another club."

"I'm playing the game I love with a team which should soon be challenging again for major honours so I'm content."

That will please Leeds fans, who this month at their annual Supporters' Club dinner, presented him with his second "Player of the Year" trophy. He's the only man to win it twice, which is testimony to the pleasure he has given them.

Like most enthusiasts they like to see goals, but it's doubtful whether there are more exciting sights in soccer than the powerful frame of Gordon McQueen disputing possession with the opposition — in the air or in long-legged pursuit up-field.

McQueen plays to win — entertainingly. And you can't ask more of a footballer than that.

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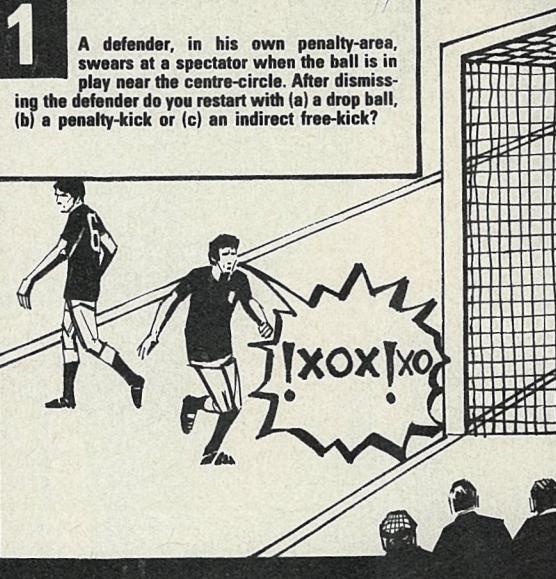
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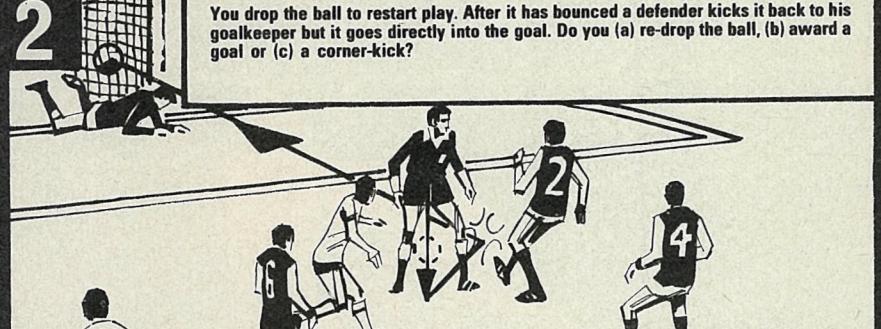
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Compiled by
STAN LOVER,
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1 A defender, in his own penalty-area, swears at a spectator when the ball is in play near the centre-circle. After dismissing the defender do you restart with (a) a drop ball, (b) a penalty-kick or (c) an indirect free-kick?

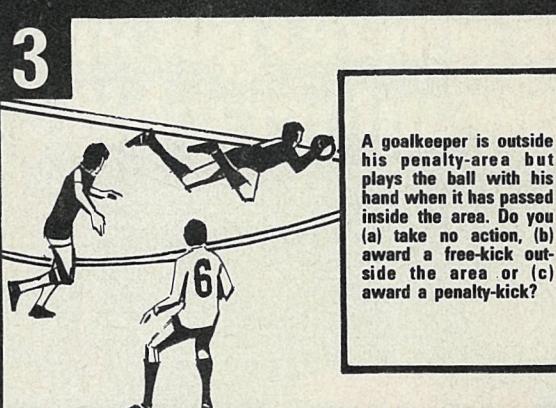


2 You drop the ball to restart play. After it has bounced a defender kicks it back to his goalkeeper but it goes directly into the goal. Do you (a) re-drop the ball, (b) award a goal or (c) a corner-kick?

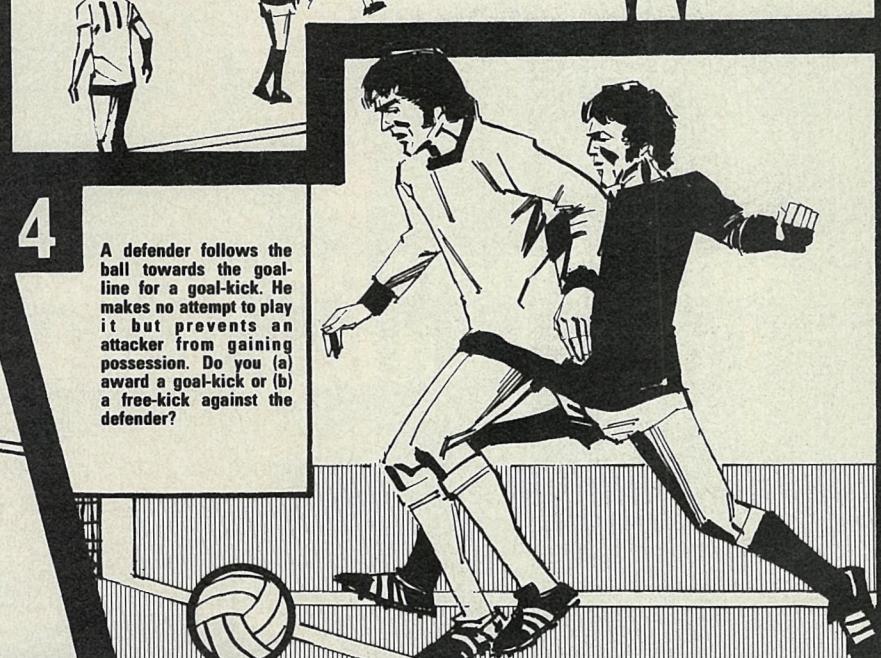


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A goalkeeper is outside his penalty-area but plays the ball with his hand when it has passed inside the area. Do you (a) take no action, (b) award a free-kick outside the area or (c) award a penalty-kick?



4 A defender follows the ball towards the goal-line for a goal-kick. He makes no attempt to play it but prevents an attacker from gaining possession. Do you (a) award a goal-kick or (b) a free-kick against the defender?

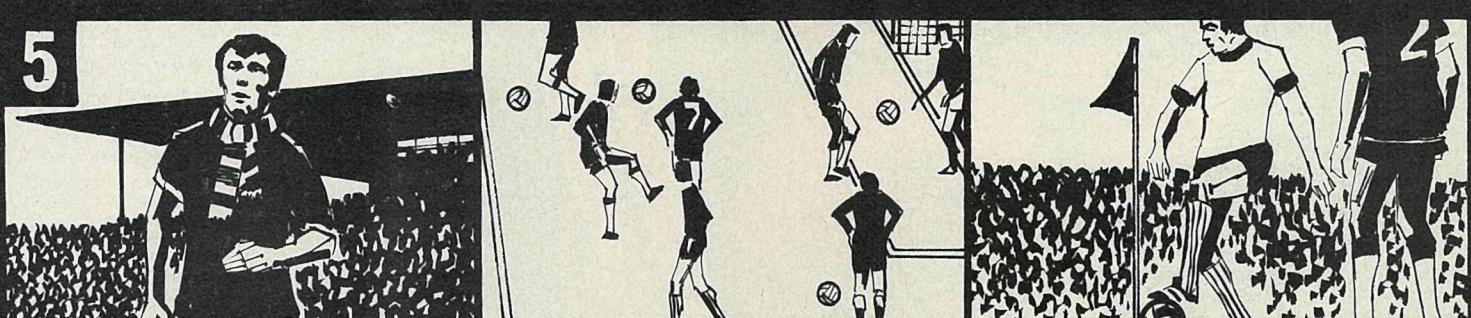


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A: A player whose team play in all-red wears a scarf of the opposing team's colours of red and white stripes. You order him to remove it.

B: You then notice the reds' keeper is wearing white shorts while the rest of his team wear black. You take no action.

C: The ball is passed to an attacker. He then takes the ball to the corner quadrant and stands, with one foot on the ball, making no attempt to move it. (Where is the problem?)



ANSWERS:

1. Restart play with an indirect free-kick (c). 2. Award a goal (b) because the ball was in play immediately it touched the ground. 3. Take no action (a) because the ball touches the referee's hand and the ball are both inside the penalty-area. 4. Award a goal-kick (a). The ball is in the referee's hand and the ball is not an offence to retain possession of the ball in this manner. 5. The problem is in A. It is not an offence to wear an opposing team's scarf — unless it can cause a confusion of colours. In B it is not necessary to take any action against the keeper unless the same coloured shorts as his team-mates. In C it is not necessary to take any action to retain possession of the ball in this manner.

IT'S not so easy writing a column when things aren't going your way . . . although I am sure that by the time you read this Celtic will be back on the straight and narrow again.

I must admit it isn't form for Celtic to take only one point from the first four League games . . . but it is an illness we will soon get over.

The reasons for the slump are difficult to pinpoint, but I think the fact we came back from our tour of Australia and the Far East over the moon at winning that Aussie tournament has something to do with it.

And remember too Pat Stanton, Andy Lynch and Alfie Conn were injured and Pat McCluskey and Kenny Dalglish were transferred. For one reason and another that is a lot of change in personnel.

And to analyse the games themselves tells a story.

A goal-less draw against Dundee United at Parkhead wasn't so bad. The Tannadice side are a fair team in anyone's books and at the end of the season they will be there or thereabouts.

The 2-1 defeat by Ayr United at Somerset Park was a nightmare I admit. Yet United are a tough side to beat and difficult to get going against.

I couldn't believe Motherwell had beaten us at Celtic Park. And after taking a two-goal lead against Rangers we allowed our rivals to hit back and win 3-2.



McGrain receives flowers before their Final against Red Star Belgrade in Australia.

'The big difference between Scottish and English football'

Oh well, we've all got our problems.

And that it seems, includes England.

When Don Revie quit the management of the national side South of the border to take up an Arab offer he couldn't refuse, I was glad to see the F.A. had the wisdom to appoint Ron Greenwood.

He is a football connoisseur who has always known what is best for the game.

His West Ham United of the early Sixties were a joy to behold, and like the Celtic side who triumphed in Europe in the later years of that decade knew the meaning of entertainment.

Someone invented the phrase "total football" to describe the magic of the Dutch and basically all it means is each player in the side can do the other man's job.

Using it, Ajax, under the creative management of Stefan Kovacs, won the European Cup in 1972 and in the same year West Germany, using Franz Beckenbauer as their attacking sweeper — at that time a role unheard of — won the European Championship in devastating style. But West Ham United were doing

it over a decade ago.

All this reflects the football talent of Ron Greenwood, although even he will need a little heavenly aid if he is to succeed in taking his country to Argentina, particularly after their recent 0-0 draw with Switzerland at Wembley.

England are no longer the football nation they were. They have in fact developed some of the ills that plagued Scottish national sides for

so long in the past.

Great individuals . . . Stan Bowles, Trevor Brooking, Brian Little, Kevin Keegan, Dennis Tueart . . . but when they all get together it just falls apart.

With players of quality available for selection England should be cruising to the Argentine, but it just isn't working out that way. In the bad old days it was the same problem for Scotland.

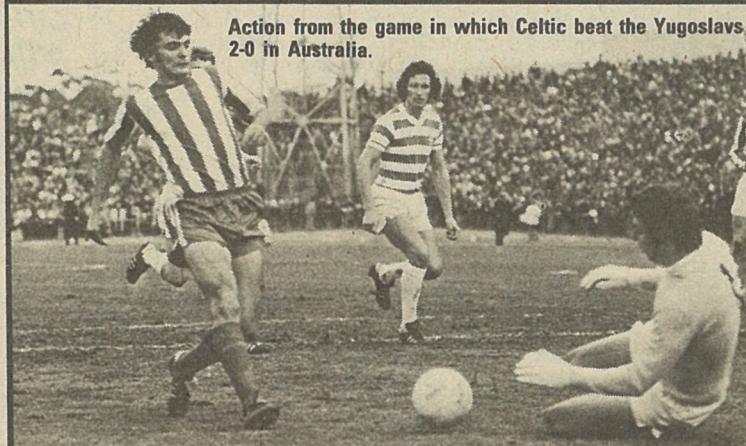
Arbroath could be an epic in front of a 60,000 crowd.

Meanwhile, this Saturday (Sept 24) we welcome Clydebank to Parkhead for their first ever Premier Division visit.

Bankies, the club who have really backed their big-time boasts, haven't really got the start to their top League they wanted.

But then neither have the Champions.

I hope we both come good. See you in two weeks . . .



NEXT WEEK'S TARTAN TALK BY RANGERS' SKIPPER JOHN GREIG

England need a more settled team, just as Willie Ormond succeeded in getting, and Ally MacLeod continues to pick for us.

Don Revie selected so many players it was ridiculous.

He said he was going to run the England national side like a club team. He promised it would, like Leeds United, be just one big happy family. Didn't work out that way, though.

The whole England set-up is of particular interest to Scotland just now of course by courtesy of the transfer of one K. Dalglish who has taken the English First Division by storm to the surprise of no one in Scotland.

He is still a bit slow, but he will get better!

I think the explosive arrival of Kenny -- and Andy Gray last season — proves something I have always believed.

Football in Scotland is just as good as South of the border. The quality of play matches that of the South and at the end of the day the big difference is the size of the crowds.

And that is only a question of population.

I sincerely believe Aberdeen and Hibs would hold their own in the English First Division. You will never convince me there is more pressure than in the Scottish Premier Division.

It might sound ridiculous, but I am willing to bet Cowdenbeath v

First Macari, then Dalglish— NOW DAVIDSON FOR A MOVE TO ENGLAND?

SEVERAL years ago Scottish Champions Celtic were the envy of every club in the land because of the young talent they had at their disposal. Their first team was crammed with talent, but so, too, was their reserve outfit.

In that team, playing to small audiences, was an attacking trio that seemed destined for the top. They combined their skills and their energy to create a goal machine.

Reserve defences couldn't cope with their talent and their hunger for success. Everyone tipped them to become one of the most devastating combinations in the game when they matured.

Two of that threesome are now playing their football in England. One is Lou Macari, who cost Manchester United £200,000 five seasons ago, and the other is Kenny Dalglish, the highest-priced footballer in Britain after his £440,000 move from Parkhead to Liverpool.

But what about the third player? Whatever happened to him? Alas, the player who was considered to have even more class and culture than both Dalglish and Macari was

given a free transfer three seasons ago.

His name is Vic Davidson, who went to Motherwell after the heart-breaking news he wasn't wanted at Parkhead. But Davidson hasn't lost faith in his ability and he is determined to meet up with his former mates in English soccer.

"I was delighted to sign for Motherwell manager Willie McLean after I had been freed by Celtic," says Davidson. "However, I now think it is time for me to move on and I would like to try my luck in England.

"My play is better suited to their game where the tackle from behind is banned. As everyone knows I try to put the accent on skill. In Scotland, though, there is very little protection from referees and I am constantly being hammered from behind.

"That would not happen in the South and obviously my play would benefit. I don't think Motherwell would stand in my way if a suitable move came along.

"After all, they were prepared to sell Willie Pettigrew. Why not me? I have tried my best for the club since signing on that 'free', but

there comes a time when you must look to the future.

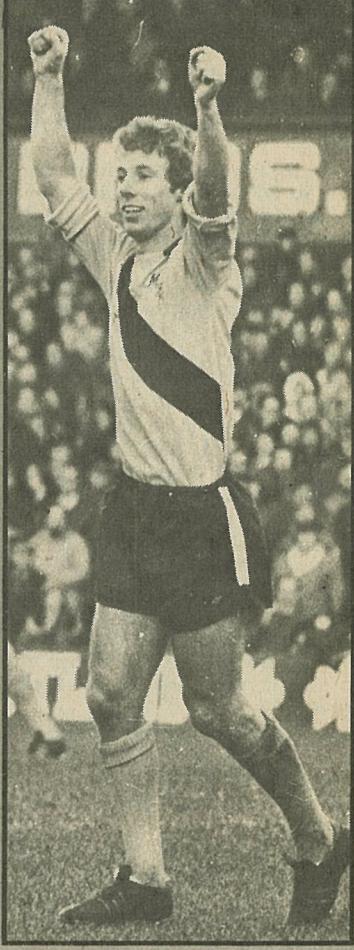
"I can't really live on what Motherwell are paying me. Okay, maybe Kenny Dalglish's move did make me think long and hard about the financial situation at Fir Park.

"I am still a very close friend of Kenny. I think he is a tremendous player, but I don't lack confidence in my own talent, either. You may ask: 'If you were so good why did Celtic give you a free transfer?'

"That's a fair point. To be honest, I don't think I got a fair crack of the whip at Parkhead. I know that sounds like sour grapes, but I think I have proved at Fir Park what I can do when I am given an extended run in the top team."

Davidson has a long list of admirers in Scottish football. He is a graceful player, a thinker who can ghost into unguarded positions and strike when rearguards are least expecting it.

Macari, Dalglish and Davidson was once the trio destined for the very top. Macari and Dalglish have made it. Davidson may be a late starter, but he has no intention of being left behind...



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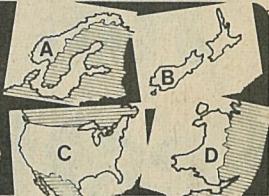
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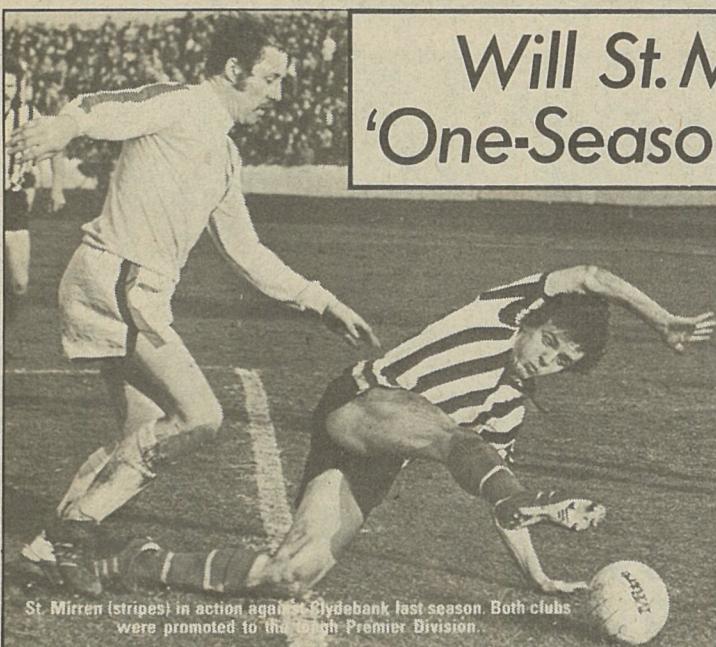
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Questions being asked about two of Scotland's Premier Division sides



St. Mirren (stripes) in action against Clydebank last season. Both clubs were promoted to the Scottish Premier Division.

PEOPLE who say we are only 'one-season wonders' and will be relegated just don't know what they are talking about." Those are the words of St. Mirren's bold manager Alex Ferguson, whose adventurous youngsters took the First Division by storm last term on their way to the Premier Division.

"Obviously it is going to be tougher in the Top Ten, but we have nothing to be afraid of," says Ferguson. "We have some of the best young talent in Scotland at Love Street and once we settle down we'll show our best form."

The Saints, though, did not get off to the best of starts this season. In their opening game, against

West Brom in the Tennent Caledonian Cup held at Ibrox, they scored three sparkling goals ... but conceded four.

The following day they played off with Southampton for third place. Again they were beaten, although it took a glorious solo goal from Peter Osgood two minutes from time to send them crashing 2-1.

In the Premier, St. Mirren had to be content with a goalless draw with Clydebank, who were promoted along with them, of course, and the following week they went down 2-1 to Dundee United at Tannadice after Frank McGarvey had fired them into the lead.

"Naturally, I would have preferred four points from those two games," said Ferguson, "but you can't expect to go through this Division unbeaten. But we are on the right lines."

"The fans are firmly behind the team and that is marvellous. The players are treated as personalities and they go out of their way to earn that praise.

"We want to continue playing to

our strong points and that is our power up-front. We know how to score goals and we won't lose that ability although it will be more difficult this season simply because we are playing against better and more organised defences.

"Remember, though, what we did to Dundee United last season when we met them in the Scottish Cup at Love Street. They have got a very good rearguard, but we still managed to hit four goals into their net.

"We missed Jackie Copland at the start of the season and I mean no disrespect to any of the players who took his role during his absence after a cartilage operation.

"He is a dominant force in our defence. He is experienced and mature and is a help to all the players round about him."

The Saints have been criticised for being naive, but Ferguson does not accept this. He is an honest worker and he insists his side keep going for goals when there is an opportunity.

Obviously he doesn't want to leave the back door open when the points are still to be clinched, but at the same time he wants to entertain. He has already proved he has the ability to mould an attractive AND successful outfit.

Ferguson is equally certain a lot of critics will be silent at the end of the season. They will be too busy eating their own words.

THE FAN stood on the terracing and shook his head wearily. His team had just shocked Rangers 2-0 at Ibrox. They had played splendidly throughout and were well worth both points.

However, the fan's only words were: "I might have known. You can always expect the unexpected from Hibs. I had worked myself into a dismal mood before the game because I thought we were going to lose. Of course, I should know better by now."

Hibs, the mercurial marvels of Scottish soccer, are at it again. The team that can shine brightly with glittering talents one week and then switch off the next are putting on their repeat performances.

The Wednesday before the trip to Ibrox, Hibs took on little Queen of the South in a League Cup tie at Easter Road. They were expected to win handsomely ... instead they went down 2-1. They had a chance to atone in the second-leg at Palmerston, but they could only draw 0-0 and that was them out of that trophy!

Last season they were beaten in the U.E.F.A. Cup by an unknown bunch of amateurs from Sweden, Oesters Vaxjoe. Hibs won 2-0 in the first-leg at Easter Road and were expected to triumph again away from home. What happened? They were hammered 4-1 and thrown out of the trophy on a 4-3 aggregate.

Well, why are Hibs such an up-and-down team? That is a ques-

Why are Hibs such an up-and-down team?

tion that has baffled Scottish soccer over the past six years. Eddie Turnbull built a good, workman-like, yet spectacular, side that a lot of people were tipping as possible Champions.

He had international full-backs in John Brownlie and Erich Scheader. Pat Stanton and John Blackley were a good combination in the middle of the rearguard while Alan Gordon, Jim O'Rourke, Alex Edwards and Arthur Duncan were a strike force of awesome talent.

Those players were good enough to give the Easter Road side the League Cup when they beat Celtic 2-1 in the Final at Hampden five seasons ago. But that side started to break up and a former Hibs player, who left the club several years ago, says bitterly: "Hibs never looked after their loyal players."

"Look at Alan Gordon and Jim O'Rourke for a start. What a combination they were. They scored goals at home and in Europe and no defence could feel comfortable up against them."

"Something went wrong, though, behind the scenes. O'Rourke's face didn't fit and Joe

Harper was signed from Everton as a replacement and O'Rourke was sold for a small fee to St. Johnstone. He is now with Motherwell, of course.

"The combination of Gordon and Harper didn't hit it off. Harper had cost over £100,000, so they were more willing to persevere with him. Gordon went to Dundee ... again for a small fee.

"Then look what happened! Joe Harper still didn't get the goals and he was eventually sold to Aberdeen for about £50,000. There were blunders all along the line."

The player obviously wants to remain anonymous. He, too, left Easter Road under a cloud, but it isn't all sour grapes. Hibs have made mistakes and they have paid a heavy price for them.

Hibs v. Oesters Vaxjoe. Hibs took a 2-0 lead to Sweden in the U.E.F.A. Cup last term but lost the return 4-1.



Hibs have admitted they have no ready cash to bring in new players and already this season Turnbull has fielded a player, Gordon Rae, signed from Junior football.

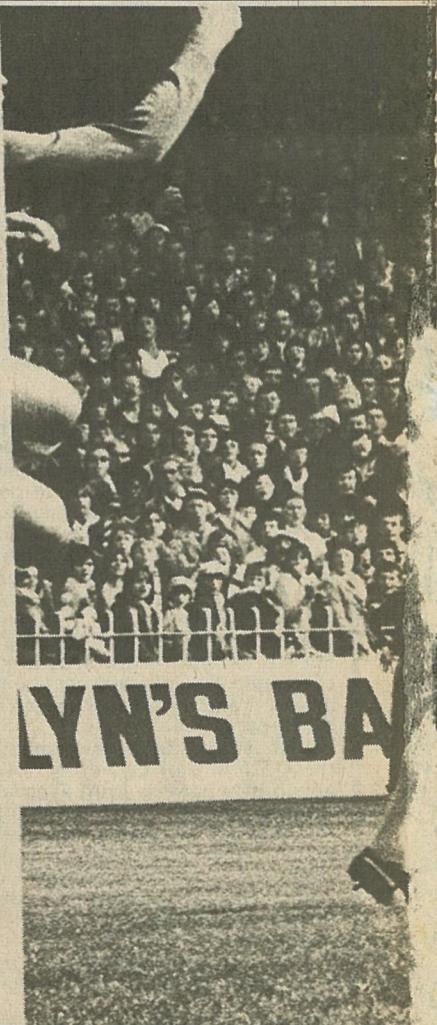
The Easter Road side have been in blunderland for too long. They will continue to ride the big dipper of soccer until they get sorted out both on AND off the field.



WORTH THEIR WEIGHT IN GOALS

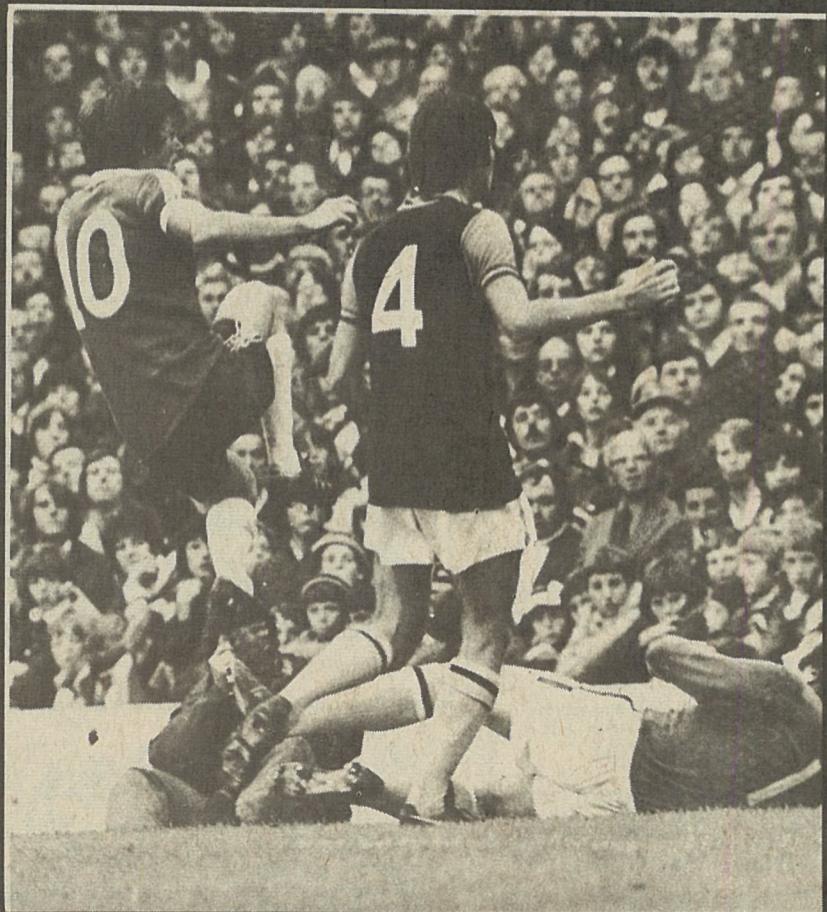


Top . . . Derby's £165,000 signing from Manchester United last season, Gerry Daly, coolly slots home a penalty during their 1-1 draw with First Division newcomers Chelsea at Stamford Bridge. Ray Hankin (left) did not have the best of luck with injuries last term after his move from Burnley, but the £200,000 striker has begun to pay dividends for Leeds this campaign with some vital goals. Mike Channon (right) opens his goal account with Manchester City v. Norwich following his transfer from Southampton for £300,000.





Liverpool's £440,000 Kenny Dalglish (above) is congratulated by team-mates after scoring his first goal on his League debut against Middlesbrough at Ayresome Park on the opening day of the season. £200,000 Duncan McKenzie (number 10, right) leaves the Aston Villa defence helpless as he scores for Everton. The Goodison Park club gained a 2-1 win at Villa Park thanks to another goal from the former Nottingham Forest, Leeds and Anderlecht player.



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1. Who uttered the following quote: "Delighted? Hardly the word. I won 49 caps for England. I feel now as though I had just got my 50th, or even my first. That's how much this means to me."?
2. This picture (below) of a stand near to completion was taken during the first week of this season. Where was it shot?
3. Rangers have been drawn against which club in the Third Round of the Scottish League Cup?
4. Can you name the six Liverpool players who were included in the England side for the recent friendly international against Switzerland at Wembley?
5. Did England draw with the Swiss 0-0, 1-1 or 2-2?
6. The night before the friendly at Wembley, England Under-21 played Norway in an Under-21 European Championship game. Where was it played?
7. What was the final score?
8. How many goals did Brighton's talented striker Peter Ward (right) score in his first game for England?
9. During his career at Millwall, Gordon Hill made (a) 86, 96 or 106 League appearances and (b) scored 18, 19 or 20 League goals before moving to Manchester United?
10. Two English League clubs play their home games at grounds called St. James' Park. Can you name them?



ANSWERS:

1. Geoff Hurst after receiving his medal from Ray Kennedy. 2. McDermott and Ray Kennedy. 3. McDermaid squad for the recent friendly v. Switzerland. 4. Terry Hughes, Ian Callaghan, Terry Venables, Phil Neal, Ray Astón Villa. 5. Aberdeen home of Wembley 2 Villa Park. 6. Newcastle United and 7. 6-0 to England. 8. Three. 9. (a) 86, (b) 106. 10. Newcaste United and 11. Ipswich. 12. Tyres. 13. Tenants. 14. Abbey. 15. Three. 16. Masson. 17. John. 18. He. 19. Nil. 20. Or. 21. As. 22. Us. 23. Tyres. 24. Red. 25. Side. 26. Ivory. 27. Go. 28. Dad. 29. By. 30. Am. 31. Enter. 32. Bob. 33. Me.

GO FOR THE DOUBLE ANSWERS

ACROSS:—(1) Shade. (5) Jones. (9) Hire. (10) Sore. (11) Ipswich. (13) Tenants. (16) Tony. (17) He. (18) Member. (19) Nil. (21) As. (22) Us. (23) Tyres. (26) Boersma. (27) Or. (28) Go. (29) Dad. (31) By. (32) Enter. (33) Me.

DOWN:—(1) Shilton. (2) Hip. (3) Arsenal. (4) Dew. (5) John. (6) Or. (7) Neon. (8) Sense. (10) Scenes. (12) It. (14) Abbey. (15) Three. (18) Masson. (20) Ivory. (22) Urge. (23) Tape. (24) Red. (25) Side. (26) Bob. (30) Am.

Jumbled Name: DAVE THOMAS.

PAT JENNINGS reveals the reasons

'WHY I SIGNED FOR ARSENAL'

PAT Jennings wants the Tottenham fans to know he hasn't stabbed them in the back by choosing to sign for bitter North London rivals Arsenal.

Jennings, three times voted Supporters Club "Player of the Year" in the past four seasons, "defected" to Highbury in a £60,000 close-season deal.

Now in his first season with Arsenal after 13 consecutive years at White Hart Lane, he explains in detail why he joined his old boss Terry Neill at The Gunners.

He confesses: "Tottenham are a great club and I've wonderful memories of 13 glorious years at Spurs. Thirteen years is a long time at one club, and I couldn't help but leave with a tinge of sadness.

"I never really had any plans to leave until it became clear to me a move was inevitable.

"The last three seasons at Tottenham have been hard going. But three years ago when I helped to save the club from relegation it gave me more satisfaction than winning all the honours and trophies with the club in all those years.

"The following term we finished in a respectable position but it was a false one. And make no mistake, relegation last season was a big disaster.

"But I would have been willing to stay on. The prospect of the Second Division didn't frighten me in the least.

"Had the circumstances been right I would still be at Tottenham. It was a pity it had to come to a parting of the ways.

"Naturally I wouldn't be honest if I didn't admit to being pleased to being still in the First Division.

"It is a great feeling to be walking into a club like Arsenal. I feel flattered that clubs like Arsenal, Ipswich and Aston Villa wanted to sign me.

"Why did I choose Arsenal? Well, a prime consideration was I didn't have to move from my home in Hoddesdon.

"My three little girls are settled in their school and I had no intention of uprooting my family. "While Ipswich manager Bobby

Robson agreed to let me travel to Portman Road three times a week to train he decided to pull out of the deal. He telephoned me during his club's tour of Holland and said he would ring back, but he never did.

"There was no way I could have joined Aston Villa, no matter how attractive the club and prospects, because it would have meant leaving London."

Ironic that Jimmy Rimmer, the 'keeper who moved out to allow Pat in at Highbury, was transferred to Villa.

But Jennings is the fourth Spurs player to follow Terry Neill across North London to Highbury. The others are Willie Young (£80,000), Kevin Stead (free transfer) and Steve Walford (£30,000).

Terry Neill firmly believes Jennings can stay at the top for at least another four years.

That's why Neill gave Jennings a four year contract with Arsenal which means the Northern Ireland international goalkeeper is committed to the club until he is 36.

"That prospect doesn't worry me," says Jennings, "I feel fit and healthy and I'm sure I can last the pace otherwise I wouldn't have signed."

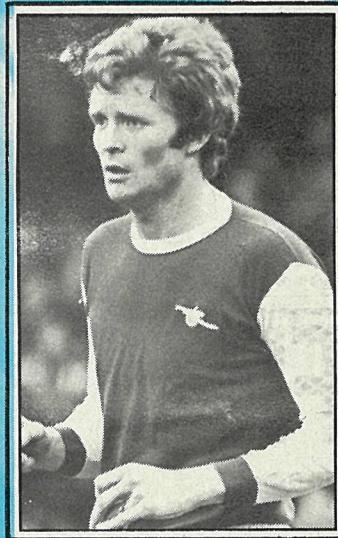
"Terry Neill knows all there is to know about me having managed me at club and international level. He feels confident enough to give me such a long term contract.

"It is now my 15th season as a professional footballer and I haven't lost my enthusiasm for the game.

"I have a great deal of pride in the reputation I have built up over the years. I aim to protect that reputation every time I play. My self pride sees to that.

"I'm still enjoying my football and I'm hopeful Arsenal can do well this season.

"What will happen in four years time when my contract runs out? Will I feel like continuing then? Who knows? You can never predict anything in football. Let's just wait and see."



WILLIE YOUNG

FOCUS ON PETER CORMACK

Bristol City

FULL NAME: Peter Barr Cormack
BIRTHPLACE: Edinburgh
BIRTHDATE: 17th July, 1947
HEIGHT: 5ft 10ins
WEIGHT: 11st
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Hibernian, Nottm. Forest and Liverpool
MARRIED: To Marion
CHILDREN: Donna-Lee (5) and Peter (3)
CAR: Datsun 1800 Estate
FAVOURITE PLAYERS: Kevin Keegan, Norman Hunter
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Liverpool
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: They're all difficult
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: When Liverpool beat Newcastle in the 1974 F.A. Cup Final
BIGGEST THRILL: Winning the Cup and League with Liverpool
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Going to West Germany with Scotland for the 1974 World Cup Finals but not playing
BEST COUNTRY VISITED: U.S.A.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Beef stroganoff
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Golf, snooker
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Being out of action through injury
FAVOURITE T.V. SHOWS: Roots, all sports programmes
FAVOURITE SINGERS: Rod Stewart, Barbra Streisand
FAVOURITE ACTORS/ACTRESS: Steve McQueen, Paul Newman, Barbra Streisand
BEST FRIENDS: Kevin Keegan and Steve Heighway
BIGGEST INFLUENCES ON CAREER: All the coaches and managers I've played under have helped me in some way
BIGGEST DRAG IN SOCCER: Injuries
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Eight Scotland Under-23 caps, nine full caps
PERSONAL AMBITION: To have a business of my own
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To win a major honour with Bristol City
IF YOU WEREN'T A FOOTBALLER WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'D BE? A singer
WHICH PERSON IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET? Frank Sinatra

P. Cormack

